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President Barack Obama announces he's rejecting the Keystone XL pipeline because he does not believe it serves the national interest, Friday Nov. 6, 2015, in the Roosevelt Room of the White House in Washington.

(AP Photo/Pablo Martinez Monsivais)

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Colombia president apologizes for 1985 raid of high court

JOSHUA GOODMAN Associated Press BOGOTA, Colombia (AP)

 President Juan Manuel Santos apologized Friday for Colombia's actions during a 1985 army raid on the Supreme Court in which nearly 100 people were killed after the building was taken hostage by guerrillas. Santos spoke at the rebuilt Palace of Justice during a

ceremony to mark the 30th anniversary of the deadly siege, one of the darkest chapters in Colombia's recent history. He was acting in accordance with a ruling last year by the Inter-American Court of Human Rights condemning the state for the disappearance of 12 people, most of them cafeteria workers, who were taken alive from

the building during the 48hour standoff.

The president apologized by name to each of their families and vowed to spare no effort to locate the remains of those whose whereabouts are still unknown. He also used the occasion to urge a deal to end Colombia's decadesold conflict, echoing the Supreme Court president's plea to armed rebels and government forces 30 years ago: "Stop the gunfire," Santos said. "Stop the gunfire in Colombia forever." Even in a country long accustomed to political violence including assassinations, civilian massacres and the extermination of thousands of leftist activists, the attack on the court by the now-defunct M-19 rebel movement and the government's heavy-handed response stand out because the events occurred in the very heart of Colombian democracy.

Almost universally Colombians refer to the incident as a "holocaust," for the blaze that consumed the night sky after troops backed by tanks and bombs stormed the building.

Cuba's Raul Castro visits Mexico to renew relations



Mexican President Enrique Pena Nieto, right, talks with Cuba's President Raul Castro during an official welcome ceremony at the Yucatan state government palace in Merida, Mexico, Friday, Nov. 6, 2015. Castro has arrived for his first state visit to Mexico to review a relationship between longtime allies that grew chilly at the beginning of the century.

(AP Photo/Rebecca Blackwell)

E. EDUARDO CASTILLO **Associated Press** MERIDA, Mexico (AP) —

The presidents of Mexico and Cuba stressed mutual interests and admiration on Friday, announcing new accords and closer political ties after more than a decade of chilly relations.

Mexican President Enrique Pena Nieto announced agreements to fight human trafficking and exchanges in tourism, education and business designed to increase Mexican investment in Cuba, as well as "a dialogue at the highest political levels."

Most important, he added, is re-establishing the "affection, respect and admiration that both countries historically have had for each other."

Pena Nieto greeted Cuba's Raul Castro at the Yucatan state government palace in Merida, where they held

private discussions.

"We also welcome the interest of Mexican companies to do business and invest in Cuba, particularly in the special development zone of Mariel and in sectors such as agriculture and tourism," Castro said on what was his first state visit to Mexico.

However no specific commitments or investment plans were announced.

Pena Nieto has made clear that he wants to renew Mexico's historically close ties with Cuba. His Institutional Revolutionary Party, which ruled for 71 years before losing the presidency in 2000, maintained a respectful relationship with Cuba's communist government despite U.S. pressure to cut off ties.

In 2002, after traveling to Mexico for a U.N. conference in Monterrey, Cuba's then-President Fidel Castro accused Vicente Fox, a conservative National Action party politician who had become president two years earlier, of telling him to leave.

Raul Castro, who assumed Cuba's presidency from his brother in 2006, participated in a Latin America sum-

mit in the Mexican resort city of Cancun in 2010, but it was not a state visit.

Among the accords announced Friday is a memorandum of understanding to "guarantee the legal, orderly and safe flow of migration" between the two countries, and to "prevent and combat human trafficking" and related crimes. The Mexican government has not provided details of the agreement, but it comes as increasing numbers of Cuban migrants are arriving in the nation's south.

Migration statistics show that from January to September of this year, 6,447 Cubans were stopped for not having proper documentation to be in Mexico, twice the number for all of 2014.

The normalization of relations between Cuba and the United States could ultimately lead to the elimination of the automatic refugee status that Cubans enjoy as soon as they reach U.S. soil. Many Cubans hope to get to the United States before their privileged migratory status

Mine dams burst in Brazil; 2 dead, homes covered in mud

CRISTIANA MESQUITA Associated Press

MARIANA, Brazil (AP) — Rescuers on Friday spirited survivors out of a mountainous area of southeastern Brazil that was flooded with a sea of viscous, clay-red mud after two dams burst at an iron ore mine. Officials said two people were killed, four were injured and

13 were missing.

The rupture unleashed a tion of mud. mix of water and mining Residents said no alarms Gov. Fernando Pimen- in the area have yet to be residue on a village 4 miles kilometers) downhill, smothering the enclave of Bento Rodrigues.

Only about 10 of the village's around 200 houses were left standing, and cars and other objects were tossed by what survi-

sounded to warn them about the dam break Thursday afternoon, but they scrambled for higher around after hearing a deafening burst. Officials have not said what caused the breach.

Guilherme de Sa Meneghin

vors described as an erup- of the state prosecutor's of- About 100 of the nearly fice and Minas Gerais state 600 people thought to live tel said two people died, though the state fire department had confirmed only one death so far. The department said four people were injured and another 13 missing, though it warned that the latter figure could rise.

accounted for.

Speaking at a news conference Friday, Pimentel called it "a terrible scene, an environmental tragedy" and said the accident was the "biggest natural disaster in the history of our state."



In shift, Russia suspends flights to Egypt, citing security

JIM HEINTZ MERRIT KENNEDY Associated Press

MOSCOW (AP) — In an abrupt turnaround, Russia on Friday suspended all passenger flights to Egypt after days of resisting U.S. and British suggestions that a bomb may have brought down a Russian plane in the Sinai Peninsula a week ago.

The move dealt a sharp blow to both countries' tourism sectors amid fears about security in Egypt.

Russia's federal aviation agency said airlines would be allowed to send empty planes to bring home travelers, but it was unclear when the Russians in Egypt, estimated to number at least 40,000, would be able to return home as planned from the Red Sea resorts including Sharm el-Sheikh.

Within hours of the Oct. 31 crash of the Metrojet Airbus 321-200 that killed all 224 aboard — mostly Russians — a faction of the Islamic State militant group claimed to have downed it in retaliation for Moscow's airstrikes that began a month earlier against fighters in Syria. The claim was initially dismissed on the grounds that the IS affiliate in Egypt's troubled Sinai region didn't have missiles capable of hitting high-flying planes.

British and U.S. officials, guided primarily by intelligence intercepts and satellite imagery, suggested a bomb might have been aboard the aircraft. The Russians and Egyptians called that premature, saying the investigation had not concluded.

After Britain suspended its flights to and from Sharm el-Sheikh, Prime Minister David Cameron said it was "more likely than not" that the cause was a bomb. President Barack Obama also said the U.S. was taking "very seriously" the possibility that a bomb brought down the plane in the Sinai, where Egyptian forces have been battling an Islamic insurgency for years. As the suspicions grew, Russia appeared unwilling to countenance the possibility, and Egyptian officials played down terrorism as a cause of the crash, with President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi calling the IS claim "propaganda" designed to embarrass his government.

But on Friday, the head of Russian intelligence, Alexander Bortnikov, recommended a suspension of all flights to Egypt "until we determine the real reasons of what happened," and President Vladimir Putin quickly agreed.

The flight suspension order would last until "a proper level of aviation security is in place," Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov said, denying it will run until the investigation was finished. He added that it "definitely doesn't mean" Rus-



Egyptian soldiers guarding the entrance to the Sharm el-Sheikh International Airport gesture to a photographer in south Sinai, Egypt, Friday, Nov. 6, 2015. The sign has a picture of Egyptian President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi and a slogan in Arabic which reads, "Long Live Egypt." Security has been tightened because U.S. and British officials fear a bomb might have blown up a Metrojet flight in midair Saturday, killing all 224 people onboard. (AP Photo/Thomas Hartwell)

sia regards terrorism as the main theory. Putin and el-Sissi spoke by telephone a few hours after the suspension was announced, and they agreed to cooperate further in order to "confirm the overall effectiveness of the security measures taken by Egyptian authorities at the airports of the country," the Kremlin said in a statement.

The U.S. Homeland Security Department announced new procedures that will include expanded security screening of items put on commercial jets, airport assessments and offers of security assistance for certain international airports.

White House spokesman Josh Earnest said the new protocols apply to fewer than 10 overseas airports in "the region in which the Sinai Peninsula is located." Wreckage from the Metrojet plane was brought to Moscow to be tested for any trace of explosives, according to Emergency Situations Minister Vladimir Puchkov. The samples came "from all parts where traces of explosives could be," he said in televised comments.

France 2 TV, citing an investigator who had access to one of the Metrojet plane's flight recorders, reported that "the sound

of an explosion can be distinctly heard during the flight." France's BEA accident investigation agency said it could not confirm the report.

There was chaos, confusion and frustration at the Sharm el-Sheikh airport as Britain struggled to bring home some 20,000 of its nationals stranded since London halted its flights earlier in the week.

London approved the resumption of British flights to Sinai starting Friday and planned a wave of flights to retrieve its stranded nationals, but it banned passengers from checking luggage on the flights.

US adding air security 'enhancements' amid crash probe

ALICIA A. CALDWELL Associated Press WASHINGTON (AP)

The U.S. Homeland Security Department announced Friday a series of new security efforts aimed at international airports in the wake of the crash of a Russian jetliner over Egypt's Sinai Peninsula.

DHS Secretary Jeh Johnson said the latest security protocols will focus on commercial flights bound for the United States from certain overseas airports in the region. He did not say which airports will be af-

ected.

White House spokesman Josh Earnest said the new protocols apply to fewer than 10 overseas airports in "the region in which the Sinai Peninsula is located." He said the affected airports already have cooperative relationships with the United States.

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Russian carrier Metrojet's

Airbus A321-200 crashed shortly after takeoff from the Sharm el-Sheikh airport in Egypt on Saturday, killing all 224 people on board. There are no direct flights from that airport to the United States.

Though the investigation is ongoing, President Barack Obama has said the U.S. is taking "very seriously" the possibility that a bomb caused the crash.

"These measures are not being taken in response to a specific threat to the homeland but it is the prudent exercise of an abundance of caution given the information that U.S. officials have learned about this airline disaster in the Sinai Peninsula," Earnest said Friday.

British Prime Minister David Cameron said he has grounded all British flights to and from the Sinai Peninsula because of "intelligence and information" that points to a bomb as the probable cause of the crash.

On Friday, Russia announced that it will suspend all flights to Egypt until security is improved at its

airports

Michael Balboni, a security expert and former deputy secretary for public safety for New York state, said there are significant differences in the scrutiny of airport workers at overseas airports than in the United States. And in the wake of the downing of the Russian flight, those gaps are likely to gain renewed attention. "Everything needs a refresh," Balboni said. "Security is never a destination, it's a journey. You have to change it up, you have to refresh it."





Obama Quashes Keystone XL to Boost Climate Leverage

JOSH LEDERMAN Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ending a seven-year political saga, President Barack Obama killed the proposed Keystone XL pipeline on Friday, declaring it would have undercut U.S. efforts to clinch a global climate change deal at the center of his environmental legacy.

Obama's decision marked an unambiguous victory for environmental activists who spent years denouncing the pipeline, lobbying administration and even chaining themselves to tractors to make their point about the threat posed by dirty fossil fuels. It also places the president and fellow Democrats in direct confrontation with Republicans and energy advocates heading into the 2016 presidential elec-

The president, announcing his decision at the White House, said he agreed



President Barack Obama, accompanied by Vice President Joe Biden and Secretary of State John Kerry, announce he's rejecting the Keystone XL pipeline because he does not believe it serves the national interest, Friday Nov. 6, 2015, in the Roosevelt Room of the White House in Washington.

(AP Photo/Susan Walsh)

with a State Department "This pipeline would neither national interests. He lamented that both political parties had "overinflated" Keystone into a proxy battle for climate change but glossed over his own role in allowing the controversy to drag out over several national elections.

conclusion that Keystone be a silver bullet for the wouldn't advance U.S. economy, as was promised by some, nor the express lane to climate disaster proclaimed by others," he said. Although Obama in 2013 said his litmus test for Keystone would be whether it increased U.S. greenhouse gas emissions, his final decision appeared

based on other factors. He didn't broach that topic in his remarks, and State Department officials said they had determined Keystone wouldn't significantly affect carbon pollution lev-

Instead, the administration cited the "broad perception" that Keystone would carry "dirty" oil, and suggested approval would raise questions abroad about whether the U.S. was serious about climate change. "Frankly, approving this project would have undercut that global leadership," the president said. Obama will travel to Paris at the end of the month for talks on a global climate gareement, which the president hopes will be the crowning jewel for his environmental legacy. Killing the pipeline allows Obama to claim aggressive action, strengthening his hand as world leaders gather in France.

Obama's decision on Fri-

day risks creating a fresh point of tension in his relationship with Canada's new government. After speaking by phone with Obama on Friday, Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau said he was "disappointed by the decision" but pledged to pursue a "fresh start" with Obama nevertheless. For TransCanada, the financial imperative to build Keystone may have fallen off recently amid a sharp drop in oil prices that could make extracting and transporting the product much less lucrative. TransCanada has insisted that wasn't the case. Though environmental groups hailed Friday as a "day of celebration," Obama's decision was unlikely to be the last word for Keystone XL.

TransCanada, the company behind the proposal, said it remained "absolutely committed" to building the project and was considering filing a new application for permits. \Box



Hate crime charges brought in beating of homeless immigrant

BOSTON (AP) — Two Boston brothers who claimed to be inspired in part by Donald Trump's views on immigrants face new hate crime charges for allegedly beating and urinating on a homeless Mexican man.

indictments announced Friday charge right, all these illegals need

Leader, 30, with civil rights violations while causing carries up to 10 years in

Scott Leader allegedly told police after their arrest in August: "Donald Trump was

Scott Leader, 38, and Steve to be deported," according to a state police report. The Republican presidenbodily injury, a charge that tial candidate later denounced the attack. "Boston incident is terrible. We need energy and passion, but we must treat each other with respect," Trump tweeted. "I would never

condone violence."

The 58-vear-old victim was treated for a broken nose and other injuries.

Lawyers for the brothers did not immediately return calls seeking comment Friday.

Prosecutors have said the brothers encountered the man while heading

home from a Boston Red Sox game, then urinated on him, punched him and beat him with a metal pole. He was sleeping near a train station at the time. Witnesses flagged down a

state trooper.Scott Leader told police the victim instigated the confrontation. \square

Personnel records show years of complaints against officer

DON BABWIN TAMMY WEBBER Associated Press

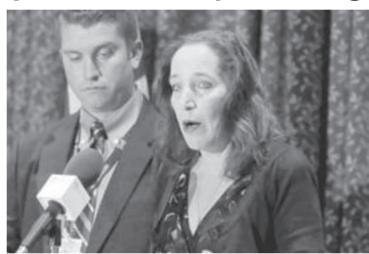
FOX LAKE, Illinois (AP) — An Illinois police officer who staged his suicide to make it look like he was murdered had a troubled job history, ranging from numerous suspensions to sexual harassment allegations to complaints that he intimidated an emergency dispatcher with guns, according to his personnel records.

The image of Lt. Charles Joseph Gliniewicz that's emerged in recent days stands in stark contrast to the outpouring of commu-

nity support after his death in September. His death, moments after he radioed that he was chasing three suspicious men, prompted an intense manhunt involving hundreds of officers. Thousands attended his funeral, and he was held up as the latest example of dangers faced by police.

Investigators revealed on Wednesday that he had elaborately planned his own killing after stealing laundering money from a Police Explorers Program he oversaw for seven

Despite a reputation as a



Fox Lake Village Manager Anne Marrin accompanied by Lake County sheriff's Detective Chris Covelli speaks during a news conference on Fox Lake police Lt. Charles Joseph Gliniewicz in Round Lake Beach, III.

(Gilbert R. Boucher II/Daily Herald via AP)

respected youth mentor, Gliniewicz also had problems off the job. In one incident, an officer took Gliniewicz home after he was found passed out in his truck, and Gliniewicz reported his truck stolen the next day, according to documents in the file.

The records were released late Thursday by the Village of Fox Lake in response to a Freedom of Information request, after a day in which officials said Gliniewicz had sought out a hit man to kill a village administrator he feared would expose him as a thief.

Man convicted of murder in deadly South by Southwest crash

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A jury on Friday found a driver guilty of capital murder in a crash that killed four people last year at the South by Southwest festival in Austin. Austin American-Statesman reports the Travis County jury returned with the verdict against 23-yearold Rashad Owens after a

of deliberation. About 50 people had crowded into the courtroom to hear the verdict.

The verdict means Owens will automatically spend the rest of his life in prison without the possibility of parole. To find him guilty of capital murder, jurors had to unanimously agree Owlittle more than three hours ens intentionally or know-

ingly caused the death of Owens' intent, but to focus a gas station and swerve two or more people when he drove into the crowd. Prosecutors did not seek the death penalty.

Owens was on trial after being charged with capital murder and four counts of felony murder.

In closing arguments Friday, prosecutor Amy Meredith told jurors to not talk about maneuver his way around

on how he was aware his conduct could be deadly. She said an officer had been trying to conduct a simple traffic stop when Owens refused to comply and fled.

Meredith told jurors that Owens had the wherewithal to turn on his blinker, around a parked car in his way.

"There is no other answer than that the defendant knew what he was doing and he didn't care," Meredith said. "He didn't care who was in his way. He was not going to be stopped. He was not going to go to

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Centuries-old coffins, skeletons found under New York street

JAKE PEARSON
Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Two centuries-old burial vaults discovered beneath a street in the heart of New York University's campus by workers replacing a water main were likely part of a Presbyterian church cemetery, an archaeologist said this week.

One of the roughly 15-foot by-18-foot (4.57-meter by 5.5-meter) crypts was clearly disturbed, with the skeletons and skulls of between nine and 12 people pushed into a corner while more than a dozen stacked wooden coffins can be seen in the second one, said Chrysalis' Alyssa Loorya, the project's principal investigator.

"You never know what you can find beneath the city's streets," she said at the site in Manhattan's Greenwich Village neighborhood. "You bury people to memorialize them, and these people were forgotten."

Anthropologists and archeologists have hung lights in the excavated area and will use digital cameras with zoom lenses to take pictures of the coffin plates in the hopes of identifying the buried. And because city policy is to leave burial grounds undisturbed if possible, project engineers are planning a new route for the water main.

"We knew we could be encountering remains or other items in this area," said Thomas Foley, an associate commissioner with the city's Department of Design and Construction. "We'll do some exploring to discover what other lanes we might have."

Loorya's firm was contracted to work on the three-year, \$9 million project because Washington Square Park, adjacent to the excavation work, was a potter's field for yellow fever victims in the early 1800s, officials said. The tombs' brick roofs were discovered Tuesday by workers just 3 1/2 feet under the street with utility cables running on top of them.

The vaults were probably built in the late 18th century or early 19th century and belonged to one of two



A plywood wall surrounds the opening to an underground construction area in the Greenwich Village neighborhood of New York. Two burial vaults discovered beneath a street in the heart of New York University's campus by workers replacing a water main were likely part of a Presbyterian church cemetery, an archaeologist said this week. (AP Photo/Mark Lennihan)

area Presbyterian churches, Loorya said. Members of her team will search old newspapers, death records and church archives to identify the buried if possible. It's not the first time officials have discovered

historical artifacts in the course of planned upkeep projects to replace old pipes and water mains. Eighteenth-century houses and wells along with Revolutionary War buttons worn

by soldiers who marched

in the Battle of Brooklyn were found during construction work beginning in 2005 in lower Manhattan's South Street Seaport area, Loorya said.

"It's definitely a wonderful find," she said.



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NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) —
Former U.S. senator and actor Fred Thompson was remembered Friday for his

actor Fred Thompson was remembered Friday for his booming voice, sense of humor and sincerity. At a public memorial ser-

At a public memorial service in Nashville, U.S. Sen. John McCain recalled how Thompson's funny, slightly subversive asides on the Senate floor made sometimes tedious proceedings more bearable. McCain said Thompson was a natural campaigner who didn't run for office just to play a senator but believed he had a responsibility to solve America's problems.

"He had such natural authority and charm and ease with people," McCain said. "Americans knew he was the real deal."

But Thompson sometimes found politics frustrating. Sen. Lamar Alexander recalled Thompson joking that he "missed the sincerity of Hollywood."

Fred Thompson remembered for wit, sincerity

Thompson, who died Sunday at age 73 in Nashville after a recurrence of lymphoma, appeared in feature films and television, including NBC drama "Law & Order." Speaking of Thompson's first acting role in the movie "Marie," McCain said, "Fred is listed as playing himself. That's who he always played, in movies and in public life."

Marie Ragghianti, whose story of exposing a Tennessee cash-for-pardons scheme was the basis of the movie, said she first saw Thompson when he worked as Senate counsel on the Watergate hearings. Later, she knew he was the attorney she needed to represent her after she was fired for exposing corruption.

She joked that, "I should have known from the start when he represented me that he saw me as a oneway ticket to Hollywood." The two remained friends and she jokingly noted one lasting influence he had on her life: "I, a lifelong, born-and-raised, baptized and spoon-fed Democrat, now have two registered Republican sons, compliments of Fred Dalton Thompson."

Ragghianti and others recalled how the 6-foot-6 Thompson always filled a room with his commanding presence.

"Anyone who ever knew Fred Thompson knew him to be a dynamic, charismatic man of uncommon charm," she said.

Thompson's brother Ken Thompson, recalled how the two always played jokes on each other. When Fred Thompson ran for president in 2007, his brother says he told him, "I have every intention of following in the footsteps of my hero, Billy Carter.□





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US Financial Front:

American hiring surge raises likelihood of Fed rate hike

C. S. RUGABER **AP Economics Writer WASHINGTON (AP)** — U.S. hiring swelled in October by the largest amount all year, and unemployment dropped another notch to 5 percent, increasing the likelihood that the Federal Reserve will raise interest rates next month for the first time in a decade.

With Americans spending more on everything from restaurant meals and clothing to new cars, employers added an impressive 271,000 jobs last

That was a strong rebound from August and September, when turmoil in China and other economies overseas proved a drag on the U.S. job market.

Unemployment declined from 5.1 percent in September and is now at its lowest point since April 2008, just a few months after the Great Recession

Even before Friday's report, expectations for a Fed rate increase in December were building. Fed chief Janet Yellen and other top officials said this week that the economy is generally healthy and a move at next month's



People attend a job fair at Dolphin Mall in Miami. The federal government issued its October jobs report Friday, Nov. 6, 2015. (AP Photo/Wilfredo Lee)

meeting is a "live possibility."

"This data tips the scales toward a rate hike in December, but more importantly is a sign that our economy may have more punch than we thought," said Tara Sinclair, chief economist for job site Indeed.com.

The Fed cut the short-term rate it controls to a record low of nearly zero in December 2008 to try to stimulate growth during the re-

cession. An increase would eventually raise borrowing costs for mortgages, auto loans and business loans. The prospect of higher in-

terest rates initially drove down financial markets Thursday, though stock indexes finished mixed. The yield on the benchmark 10year Treasury note surged to 2.33 percent from 2.23 percent, suggesting that investors see a greater likelihood of a rate increase.

of relatively stagnant pay for many Americans, hourly wages climbed a solid 9 cents in October to \$25.20. Average pay is up 2.5 percent in the past year, the largest annual gain since 2009.

The pay gains should fuel more consumer spending in coming months, which, in turn, could support further hiring.

"These are very strong numbers and likely to continue," said Carl Tannen-

baum, chief economist at Northern Trust. "The two summer months that were low now look like the aberration."

Manufacturing employment was flat in October, after two months of job cuts. The strong dollar and faltering growth in China, Europe and Japan have cut into exports of factory goods. Oil and gas drillers also shed workers as oil prices stayed low.

But retailers added nearly 44,000 jobs last month, a sign that they expect a good holiday shopping season. Hotels and restaurants added 41,000, while health care providers hired nearly 57,000.

Higher-paying sectors also gained, notably professional and business services, which include architects, engineers and many IT workers. That sector added 78,000 positions, the most in nearly a year. Matt Friedman, chief executive of the Wing Zone restaurant chain, said he thinks lower gas prices are encouraging more people to eat out and boosting sales at his company's 93 U.S. sites. Company sales have grown 6 percent this year from 2014.

US consumer credit up a record \$28.9 billion in September

After a prolonged period

MARTIN CRUTSINGER AP Economics Writer WASHINGTON (AP)

U.S. consumer borrowing jumped by a record The big September gain months. A healthy labor amount in September. driven higher by big gains in borrowing for auto and student loans.

The Federal Reserve said Friday that consumer borrowing increased \$28.9 billion, the largest one-month increase on record going back to 1941. It followed a

gain of \$16 billion in August and pushed total consumer borrowing to an all-time high of \$3.5 trillion.

reflected a \$22.2 billion market is helping give increase in the category that covers auto loans and student loans and a \$6.7 billion increase in credit card borrowing. It was the biggest increase in auto and student loans since July 2011.

Economists believe con-

sumer spending, which accounts for 70 percent of economic activity, will remain strong in coming consumers confidence to spend and finance part of their purchases by taking on more debt.

The Labor Department reported earlier Friday that the economy created 271,000 jobs in September, the most this year, pushing the unemployment rate down to a seven-year low of 5 percent.

Economists are looking for a strong consumer sector to help offset soft spots in other parts of the econo-

The overall economy, as measured by the gross domestic product, grew at a lackluster annual rate of 1.5 percent in the July-September quarter, less than half the 3.9 percent rate turned in during the April-June period.

Part of that weakness reflected global economic weakness, which is causing problems for American manufacturers. However, economists are forecasting that growth will rebound in the final three months of this year to around 2.5 percent, with the revival fueled in large part by consumer spending.

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Palestinian shooting attacks signal escalation in West Bank

NASSER SHIYOUKHI Associated Press HEBRON, West Bank (AP) —

Back-to-back Palestinian shootings Friday wounded three Israelis, two of them seriously, the military said. The attacks signaled an escalation after a series of Palestinian stabbings and widespread stone-throwing that marked the current round of confrontations with Israel.

Israeli media said the wounded were teens between the ages of 16 and

Earlier Friday, Israeli troops shot and killed a 73-yearold Palestinian woman in what the military said was an attempt to attack them with her car. Her son denied she tried to harm anyone, and that she was on her way to lunch with her sister when she was killed.

All three incidents took place in Hebron, the West Bank's largest city, which has been the main area of friction in recent weeks. Hundreds of combat troops guard about 850 Jewish settlers in the center of Hebron where they live amid tens of thousands of Palestinians.

On Friday afternoon, shots were fired at Jewish worshippers leaving a major shrine in the Israeli-controlled downtown area, wounding two people, one of them seriously, the Israeli military said. Searches for the assailants were underway.

Media reports said a 16-year-old was seriously wounded and an 18-yearold was lightly hurt. They said the shots were fired from a distance.

The shrine is revered by Muslims and Jews as the burial site of biblical patriarchs and matriarchs. Thousands of Jewish worshippers visited Hebron on Friday for

biblical matriarch believed to be buried at the site.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the shooting. Guns and assault rifles are available and accessible in the West

prayers linked to Sarah, the out of the way unharmed and opened fire. Footage on Israeli TV showed bullet holes in the car's front and back windshields.

> Sharawi's son Ayoub, 52, denied his mother, who started driving in her 50s,

Israeli fire in a confrontation between stone-throwers and Israeli troops, Gaza health officials said.

The latest violence came after nearly two months of Israeli-Palestinian confrontations.



Israeli security forces secure the area where a Palestinian woman Tharwat Sharawi, 73, was shot and killed in the West Bank city of Hebron, Friday, Nov. 6, 2015. Israeli soldiers shot and killed Sharawi at a West Bank gas station Friday in what the Israeli military alleged was an attempt by her to attack them with her car.

(AP Photo/ Nasser Shiyoukhi)

Bank, including on the black market and in the possession of Palestinian militant groups. Hebron is a stronghold of the Islamic militant Hamas.

Later Friday, an Israeli was shot and seriously wounded by shots to the head fired from a passing car on the outskirts of Hebron, the military said. Israeli media said the victim was 19 years old and critically injured.

Earlier Friday, 73-year-old Tharwat Sharawi was killed by army fire at a gas station in Hebron, her family and the Palestinian Health Ministry said.

The military said the woman's car slowed down and then sped toward the soldiers. It said troops jumped

intended to harm anyone. Sharawi, a mother of seven, was widowed in 1988 when her husband died from what Ayoub Sharawi said was tear gas fired by Israeli troops near a mosque. "If she had wanted to take revenge (for her husband's death), she could have done that a long time ago," Sharawi said. "There is no way she wanted to run over soldiers."

Elsewhere in the West Bank, an Israeli man standing outside an Israeli-run supermarket was seriously wounded in a Palestinian stabbing attack, and troops were searching for the assailant,

On the Gaza-Israel border,

The bloodshed was triggered by unrest at a major Jerusalem shrine revered by both Muslims and Jews, and quickly spread to Israel, the West Bank and the Gaza border.

Israel has accused Palestinian political and religious leaders of inciting the violence. Palestinians say the violence is due to a lack of hope for gaining independence after years of failed peace efforts.

Since mid-September, 11 Israelis were killed in Palestinian attacks, most of them in stabbings, while 72 Palestinians were killed by Israeli fire, including 45 who Israel said were involved in attacks or attempted attacks. 🗖

Germany ministry wants to give some Syrians new status

BERLIN (AP) — German Interior Minister Thomas de Maiziere said Friday that he wants to give many Syrians arriving in the country a form of protection that falls short of full asylum and wouldn't allow them to bring relatives to Germany for two years.

The Interior Ministry said the idea was that Syrians who don't present authorities with direct evidence of individual persecution but are fleeing the civil war in general should be given "subsidiary protection," something that falls short of full asylum status but is granted to people who face serious risks in their homeland. While people with full asylum status get a three-year residence permit, those with "subsidiary protection" aet a one-vear permit that can be extended repeatedly.

However, it appeared that de Maiziere's idea wasn't discussed with the rest of Merkel's governing coalition. Ralf Stegner, a deputy leader of the center-left Social Democrats, said his response was a "clear no." Chancellor Angela Merkel's spokesman, Steffen Seibert, wrote later Friday on Twitter that there has been no change yet to authorities' processing practice for Syrians. "The current practice remains," he wrote.

Thursday, On Merkel and her coalition partners agreed that people with subsidiary protection shouldn't be able to bring relatives to Germany for two years.

De Maiziere told Deutschlandfunk radio that other countries in similar situations grant residence "for a limited time.

the army said. a Palestinian was killed by





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Spanish government vows to block Catalonia independence

CIARAN GILES Associated Press

MADRID (AP) — The Spanish government pledged Friday to take immediate legal action against the regional parliament of Catalonia if the Barcelonabased body approves a proposal to formally start an attempt to break away from the rest of Spain.

Catalonia's parliament has agreed to put the secessionist parties' proposal to a vote Monday, setting itself up for a confrontation with the national government in Madrid, which deems the move a violation of the Spanish Constitution.

Deputy Prime Minister Soraya Saenz de Santamaria said the government will seek the opinion of the Council of State and then call a special Cabinet meeting to announce it is seeking a Constitutional Court ruling.

The separatism proposal was drawn up by the "Together for Yes" pro-independence alliance and the radical leftist CUP party, which between them have 72 seats in Catalonia's 135-member regional parliament following an election in September. The two are in talks to form a new regional government but disagree strongly over who should be president.

Acting regional president Artur Mas has pledged Catalan independence within 18 months if he is chosen as regional president but the CUP has vowed not to support him. The parliament has until Jan. 9 to form a government or call a new election.

Catalonia, a region of 7.5 million people in northeast Spain, is responsible for nearly a fifth of Spain's economic output and is proud of its own culture

and language.

Pro-independence sentiment began to swell four years ago at the height

of Spain's economic crisis Catalans would like a seas secessionists claimed Catalonia could do better are evenly divided over inon its own.Most polls show

cession referendum but dependence.



Catalan branches of Spain's ruling conservative Popular Party, Xavier Albiol, Citizens party, Ines Arrimadas, and Socialist party, Miquel Iceta, backs to camera from left, pose for the media after filling complaints this week at Spain's Constitutional Court in Madrid.

(AP Photo/Francisco Seco)

Separatists accuse Ukrainian govt of using heavy weapons

ment forces of shelling residential areas under their 8,000 lives since April 2014. control with heavy artillery, while Ukrainian forces said Frank-Walter the cease-fire.

Donetsk News Agency said Ukrainian forces used Grad multiple rocket launchers fire, which has largely held, heavy weaponry was supposed to have been withdrawn weeks ago.

The uptick in fighting came as the foreign ministers of Russia, Ukraine, France and Germany met in Berlin to discuss progress in imple-

MOSCOW (AP) — Separat- menting the peace deal ist rebels in eastern Ukraine reached in Minsk in Februon Friday accused govern- ary for the conflict, which has claimed more than German Foreign Minister Steinmeier the rebels were violating said the ministers agreed to press forward with the The rebel mouthpiece effort to ensure that heavy weapons are withdrawn.

"It ought to be possible to conclude the withdrawal Thursday night and Friday of heavy weapons by the morning north of Donetsk. end of November or the Under the Sept. 1 cease- beginning of December," he said.

> The ministers in Berlin also agreed there should be a deal by the end of this month on arrangements for demining, so experts can start removing mines before winter sets in, Steinmeier said.







Indian policemen stop civilians near the venue of Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi's scheduled rally in Srinagar, Indian controlled Kashmir, Friday, Nov. 6, 2015. Authorities tightened security dramatically in parts of Indian-administered Kashmir on Friday to prevent protests ahead of a visit by Modi.

(AP Photo/Mukhtar Khan)

Kashmir:

Security tightened ahead of Modi's visit

AIJAZ HUSSAIN Associated Press

SRINAGAR, India (AP) — Authorities tightened security dramatically in parts of Indian-administered Kashmir on Friday to prevent protests ahead of a visit by Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Indian forces erected steel barricades and laid razor wire on roads and ordered residents to stay indoors in old parts of Srinagar, the largest city in the region. The city's main mosque was cordoned off and Friday prayers were barred. Separatist leaders had called for a protest Friday at the mosque to honor tens of thousands of Muslims they say were killed in riots with Hindus in 1947. As of late afternoon there were no reports of clashes or protests.

Separatists have also

planned a rally Saturday near the site of a public meeting by Modi in Srinagar. Police have detained separatist leaders and hundreds of their supporters to prevent the protest against Indian control over the disputed region.

Muslim-majority Kashmir is divided between Hindu-dominated India and Muslim-majority Pakistan, which both claim the entire territory.

Many shops were closed in Srinagar and traffic was disrupted as police checked vehicles entering the city. Authorities canceled university and college exams scheduled for Friday and Saturday.

Preventive arrests and curfews are fairly common in the Indian-controlled portion of Kashmir, particularly ahead of important events that authorities fear could be targeted by rebels or used by activists to stage protests against Indian rule. Elsewhere in India, a growing number of writers, artists, scientists and historians have said they are alarmed by a rising climate of religious intolerance and violence.

Many have criticized Modi and his Hindu nationalist Bhartiya Janata Party for not speaking out against religious attacks, saying their silence has encouraged Hindu hard-liners to justify the attacks and assert Hindu superiority.

In Kashmir, Modi is to inaugurate a power project and offer a financial aid package a year after the region was devastated by massive floods.

A number of rebel groups have operated in Kashmir since an insurgency erupted in 1989.

Historic China-Taiwan meeting is about symbolism, not substance

C. BODEEN

Associated Press

BEIJING (AP) — Saturday's first-ever meeting between the presidents of China and Taiwan presents a formidable challenge: How can they ensure the event's place in history when nothing of substance should happen?

No agreements or joint statements are to be issued and only a vague agenda has been sketched out, a reflection of the extreme sensitivity surrounding the event, especially on the part of Taiwanese wary of Beijing's unification agenda.

Yet the event's symbolism as a moment of coming together is undeniable, putting a strong emphasis on presentation, atmosphere and optics.

The get-together is fundamentally "about recognition, not about results," said University of Virginia Chinaexpert Brantly Womack. "The meeting is the message."

China's Xi Jinping and Taiwan's Ma Ying-jeou are the first leaders from the two sides to meet since their territories split during the Chinese civil war in 1949. Ma is the successor to Chiang Kai-shek, whose Nationalists retreated to the island, while Xi now leads Mao Zedong's victorious Communists, who set up government in Beijing.

Already, arranging the meeting has required extraordinary flexibility and patience.

According to Taiwan, planning for Saturday's meetings began two years ago, complicated by the need to meet conditions consistent with China's refusal to recognize Taiwan's government and insistence on the "one-China principle," stating that Taiwan and China are part of the same nation.

Ma's government, meanwhile, needed to be highly mindful of public sentiment in Taiwan, where the Nationalists took a drubbing in local elections last year, due in large part to their pro-China policies. They're now struggling ahead of presidential and legislative polls in January and a negative response to Saturday's meeting could deal them a knockout blow.

Ma had already committed to not traveling to China, while Beijing had ruled out meeting at multilateral forums such as the annual Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation economic leaders' meeting. In the end, they settled on the neutral ground of mainly ethnically Chinese Singapore, whose government is close to both Taipei and Beijing.

The two will meet in the afternoon at the luxurious Shangri-la Hotel and attend an evening banquet. It's not clear what contact they'll have with the horde of Chinese, Taiwanese and international media descending on the Southeast Asian city-state for the event.

Mutual non-recognition requires a particular set of protocols and government agencies.



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Brazil project aims to save endangered indigenous languages



Brazilian Paresi indigenous women use their cell phones during the World Indigenous Games in Palmas, Brazil. Experts warn that 40 percent of Brazil's remaining indigenous languages could be lost in the next few decades, as elders die off and young people get more access to television, the Internet and cell phones.

(AP Photos/Eraldo Peres)

JENNY BARCHFIELD Associated Press

PALMAS, Brazil (AP) — Guaricema Pataxo's indigenous roots are the cornerstone of her identity. The 53-year-old great-grandmother lives on her Pataxo people's reservation and makes a living by hawking their handicrafts, fully decked out in traditional regalia.

But ask her to speak Pataxo, and she can only stumble through a few basic words and phrases.

Her situation is not unusual. Of the estimated 2,000 indigenous languages thought to have been spoken in pre-Columbian times in what is now Brazil, only around 160 survive today. Experts warn that as many as 40 percent of those remaining could be lost in the next few decades, as elders die off and young people get more access to television, the Internet and cellphones

The pace of change has been accelerated by big agriculture's push into the hinterland, bringing roads, electricity and outsiders to areas with a high concentration of indigenous people.

A program spearheaded in

part by UNESCO, the U.N.'s cultural and educational agency, aims to give a fighting chance to nearly three dozen threatened languages. Over nearly eight years, the program has helped 35 tribes to transcribe their languages, develop dictionaries and teaching tools for children and document their rich oral traditions.

"We used to learn our language and the stories of our people with our elders," said Elly Mairu Karaja, of the Karaja people of central Brazil, a schoolteacher who's worked with the program. "But now, with technology, the youngsters are living in the white world even while they're on our land. There are many now who don't want to be indigenous anymore."

Along with the problem of anemic interest from younger generations, demography itself is playing against the survival of many indigenous languages, said Jose Carlos Levinho, director of Rio de Janeiro's Indian Museum, which ran the project with Brazil's indigenous affairs agency.

While the country's indigenous population is thought to have numbered from 3

million to 5 million in pre-Columbian days, five centuries of disease, violence and poverty have whittled that to under 1 million. Now, Brazil's original inhabitants make up less than 0.5 percent of this country of 200 million.

The indigenous population is splintered into 305 tribes, some with just several dozen or fewer members.

"In Brazil, nearly 40 percent of indigenous nations have fewer than 500 members," said Levinho. "Studies have shown that these days, such small populations aren't able preserve their languages." "We have several peoples who've completely lost their languages and want to try to recover them; we have some peoples where there are very few speakers left; some where there are generational conflicts; and some where the indigenous language has become the second language," he added.

Portuguese is now the first language of most members of the Pataxo nation, including handicraft vendor Guaricema Pataxo.

"Our people often leave our lands to study outside and they meet lots of people and end up marrying white people, and it all gets more and more diluted," said Pataxo, who has two children, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, none of whom speak the tribe's mother tongue.

The Pataxos' ancestral home is along Brazil's Atlantic coast and there are historical accounts of association between the tribe and Europeans dating back to the 1500s. Five centuries of contact, including efforts to "civilize" the Pataxo by removing their children and forbidding them from speaking their language, took a toll.





Haiti officials shut down orphanage founded by US man

DAVID McFADDEN Associated Press PORT-AU-PRINCE,

Haiti **(AP)** — Haitian authorities this week closed an orphanage for boys founded three decades ago by a U.S. citizen facing accusations he sexually abused children in his care.

Police padlocked the doors at the St. Joseph Home for Boys in the Del-

mas 91 neighborhood of Port-au-Prince. About twodozen shouting men tried to prevent the closure, but a government agent scattered the group by firing a gun into the air.

Police and judicial officials locked the main door of the orphanage before the men, many of them employees and former residents of the home, re-

turned to try again to stop by Haitian authorities but it the shutdown.

Haitian investigators looking into new allegations of sexual abuse against orphanage founder Michael Geilenfeld have sought to detain him in recent days but have been unable to locate the lowa native and former Catholic brother. He has had travel restrictions placed on him is not known if they seized his U.S. passport.

In an Oct. 29 court order seen by The Associated Press, Judge Bernard Sainvil allowed all of Geilenfeld's charitable operations in Haiti to be shuttered by authorities due to allegations of "rape and sexual aggression."

The order covered the or-

phanage closed Thursday as well as the Winas of Hope home for physically and mentally disabled children and young adults in the hills above the capital and a newer facility called Trinity House in the southern coastal city of Jacmel. It was not immediately clear if police also shuttered those facilities

Council names 2 candidates for Haiti presidential runoff



Presidential candidate Jovenel Moise from the PHTK political party waves to supporters as he arrives to a press conference in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Moise and former state construction chief Jude Celestin will advance to a runoff election for Haiti's presidency, election authorities announced Thursday.

DAVID McFADDEN Associated Press PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP)

Government-backed candidate Jovenel Moise and former state construction chief Jude Celestin appear to be advancing to a runoff election for Haiti's

presidency, according to preliminary results nounced early Friday.

The much-anticipated results from the 54-candidate first round presidential contest on Oct. 25 were issued by Pierre Louis Opont, the leader of the Provisional

(AP Photo/Dieu Nalio Chery)

Electoral Council. Since no candidate won a majority in that ballot, the two top finishers are set to meet in a Dec. 27 runoff.

Opont did not take any questions from reporters after delivering the preliminary results at the council headquarters, which was under guard by heavily armed police. He said Moise received 511,992 votes or 32.8 percent of the total, and Celestin got 394,390 or 25.2 percent.

Seven of the council's nine members signed off on the preliminary results, indicating that there was not unanimous agreement with the tally. An appeals period will follow the Thursday announcement and officials say certified results are expected in late November or early December.

Moise, handpicked by outgoing President Michel Martelly to be his successor, greeted applauding partisans gathered at a fancy hotel in Petionville, not far from the electoral council headquarters. Looking into TV cameras, the top vote getter told Haitians they were backing the right man.

"I'm standing in front of you because I am the winner," said Moise, an agricultural entrepreneur who set up a banana plantation in Haiti's north and founded

a public-private project called Agritrans to successfully export the fruit to Europe. But several major candidates have alleged fraud by the well-financed Tet Kale campaign behind Moise and voiced concern that the results do not accurately reflect national will. The candidate who placed third in the official tally with 14.2 percent, former senator Moise Jean-Charles, has asserted in recent days that he won half of Haiti's 10 departments. Last week, he insisted that partially burned ballots checked with his name were found by his backers in Port-au-Prince and numerous ballots supporting his bid had gone missing elsewhere.

After the preliminary results were announced, Jean-Charles said the results were a sham orchestrated by Martelly, who he insists would be pulling strings in a Moise presidency. He called on his supporters to participate in a "peaceful revolution" to ensure their voice is heard.

Puerto Rico to debate restructuring bill on tight deadline

DANICA COTO Associated Press SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP)

 Puerto Rico's governor submitted a long-awaited bill this week to restructure the island's heavily indebted public power company as leaislators rush to debate multiple measures to help keep the U.S. territory financially afloat.

The measure was sent to lawmakers less than a day after the Electric Power Authority obtained a brief

extension to finalize a deal with creditors and bondholders on restructuring part of its \$9 billion debt.

Many Puerto Ricans thought the bill would reveal details of an anticipated increase in power bills, but the measure said the proposed rate structure would not be revealed until restructuring bonds are issued.

Power bills in Puerto Rico are on average twice that of the U.S. mainland and

an increase would represent another burden for islanders recently hits with new taxes and tax increas-

Gov. Alejandro Garcia Padilla's administration said it has lowered energy costs through artificial means in recent years, but those measures are not enough. It noted the power company faces a \$1 billion shortfall this fiscal year.

"The Authority faces obligations that it cannot

meet," according to the In September, the Electric bill, which says approval is needed to finalize the utility's deal with bondholders and creditors.

There is currently no law a separate agreement that allows Puerto Rico or with some creditors to reits agencies to file for bankruptcy.

The bill also would allow the power company to improve collection of overdue bills, invest \$2.4 billion in renovations and enter into public-private partnerships.

Power Authority reached a deal with fuel line lenders to restructure about \$700 million in expired debt and duce principal owed in exchange for new securities. The utility is still in discussions regarding a separate restructuring deal with several monoline bond insurers that have not extended their forbearance agreement but have not sued.



Real Island Life: Notes From A Day On Aruba!

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ming or drive around but it is after a few more days at home when you start realizing how beautiful our island really is. So I took some time to "smell the ocean breeze"..... I truly think that all locals while, to appreciate where we live and what we sink in a little.

No rush and no hurry.

fresh squeezed lemon iuice from your backvard trees with a fish omelet (left over's from last night's incredible catch of the day). Grab an ice cooler, fill it up

with anything you like to drink cold, and start driving. Of course you can get in an air-conditioned car, but also nice for the experience are the open-air jeeps.

In that case all you need should do so, once in a is to protect yourself with sun block because our sun is really strong-I recomhave.Enjoy breakfast out- mend Aruba Aloe brand! side in your patio or yard. Packed with a towel and Breathe in and out.... Let it the ice cooler I started driving along the coast line. Never realized how many Take time to enjoy your different shades of blue really exist in the ocean. I counted at least 9 different types of blues-just like you see in famous movies like the "blue lagoon". First stop was the famous

Charlie's Bar in San Nicolaas Main Street. Generation after generation of Charlie's have been running this cozy place,

where you can spend hours looking around and identifying all the things visiting tourists have left behind to personalize the bar, like baseball caps, business cards, license plates and of course weird kind of souvenirs. Go check it out yourself..... Up to Baby Beach and Rogers beach.

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Ms. Darline S. de Cuba representing the Aruba

Tourism Authority, Visitors care Liaison bestowed the certificate of Goodwill Ambassadorship to the honorees on behalf of the Government of Aruba. Ms. De Cuba thanked them for choosing Aruba as their vacation destination and as their 'homeaway-from-home' for so many years.

Visitors stated that the main reasons for returning



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SPURIS ENDING

Kisner opens 2-shot lead on a course he barely knows

DOUG FERGUSON
AP Golf Writer

SHANGHAI (AP) — Two par saves in the middle of his round and two birdies at the end put Kevin Kisner in a place he has never been.

And that has nothing to do with his first trip to China.

Kisner put together another bogey-free performance Friday in the HSBC Champions for a 6-under 66 and a two-shot lead over Russell Knox going into the weekend of the World Golf Championship. He was at 14-under 130, the lowest 36-hole score of his career, and he was the 36-hole leader for the first time in his career.

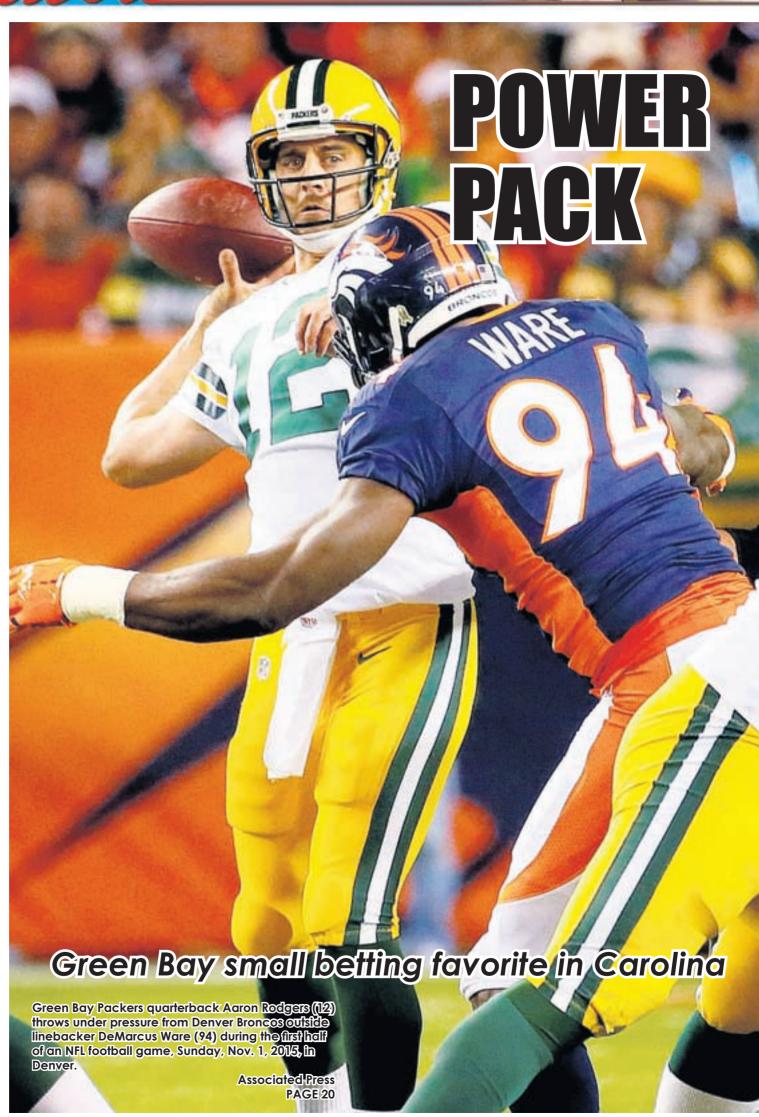
It was more than Kisner expected at Sheshan International, mainly because he didn't have any expectations.

A sore back kept the 31-year-old American from seeing the golf course until he teed it up in the opening round on Thursday. He was so lost that walking off the eighth green, he wasn't sure how to get to the next hole. None of that seemed to matter.

"It's just golf, man," Kisner said. "Doesn't matter if it was here or wherever. Still get the ball in the hole as fast as you can."

That proved far more difficult Friday than in the opening round, mainly because the still, soft conditions gave way to a strong wind that never relented. Kisner twice saved par, with a 20-foot putt on the par-3 fourth and a 15-foot putt on the par-4 15th hole. Only 16 players shot in the 60s on Friday, compared with 41 in the opening round.

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Novak Djokovic of Serbia serves the ball to Tomas Berdych of Czech Republic during their quarterfinal match of the BNP Masters tennis tournament, at Bercy Arena, in Paris, France, Friday, Nov. 6, 2015.

Associated Press

JEROME PUGMIRE AP Sports Writer

PARIS (AP) — Novak Djokovic saved set points in both sets to remain on course for his third straight Paris Masters title after beating fifth-seeded Czech Tomas Berdych 7-6 (3), 7-6 (8) in a hard-fought quarterfinal on Friday.

Chasing his 10th title of a brilliant season, the top-

ranked Serb plays the winner of the last quarterfinal between No. 4 Stanislas Wawrinka of Switzerland and No. 7 Rafael Nadal of Spain.

Second-seeded Briton Andy Murray and No. 8 David Ferrer of Spain won earlier to set up a semifinal showdown.

With both players serving well, there were few op-

No. 1 Djokovic beats Berdych to reach Paris Masters semis

portunities for either player to pull ahead in the first set, although Berdych did miss a set point at 6-5 on Djokovic's serve — his only break point of the set.

"I definitely didn't want to go into the third set. Credit to Berdych for playing on a high level, pushing me in the back of the court with his depth on the shots," Djokovic said. "(The match) could have gone a different way."

In the second-set tiebreaker, Djokovic moved 5-3 up in the tiebreaker only for Berdych to pull back to 6-5. But the Czech player wasted two more set points with over-hit forehands.

At 7-7, another wide forehand gave Djokovic his first match point but the Serb's own forehand sailed long. Berdych's forehand let him down again on the next

point, giving Djokovic a second match point. When his shot was called out, Djokovic challenged and the replay showed the ball had landed just in, meaning that the point was replayed. After a brief exchange, Berdych clipped a two-handed backhand into the net.

"It was a really tough match, a real battle," Djokovic said. "I'm just glad I managed to stay calm in the important moments and pull through."

Earlier, Murray beat 10thseeded Richard Gasquet of France 7-6 (7), 3-6, 6-3 to reach his first semifinal at the indoor tournament.

"The level during the first set was extremely good," Murray said. "After that it was a little bit up and down."

Murray, who has now achieved his best match record in a single season with a 67-11 mark, made the decisive break in the eighth game then served out the match at love.

Ferrer, the 2012 champion, beat 13th-seeded American John Isner 6-3, 6-7 (6), 6-1 in a topsy-turvy match after failing to serve out the match at 5-3, 40-15 up in the second set.

Ferrer, who has won five titles this year, seemed to be racing to victory when he broke Isner in the eighth game of the second set.

That gave him a chance to serve out the match, but from 40-15 his composure deserted him.

"I was waiting for him to make mistakes and he didn't," Ferrer said.

Isner forced a tiebreaker, and it was an exciting one, with a huge ace from Isner whizzing just over the head of a spectator and giving him a 5-2 lead.

Ferrer fought back, returning Isner's second serve into his feet for 5-5, then saving a set point with a forehand winner for 6-6.

But Isner unleashed a booming backhand down the line for 7-6, then sent down another huge serve which just clipped Ferrer's racket to clinch the set.

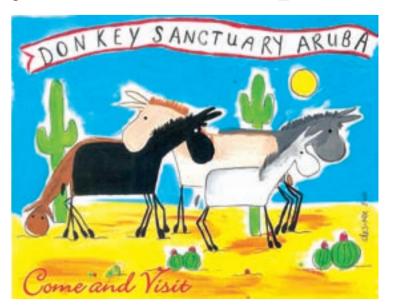
Ferrer was given a warning from the chair umpire at the start of the third set when he yelled out in frustration after missing his fourth break point.

But he easily took Isner's next service game, although the American was clearly struggling. At 0-40, he hunched over in pain, and then took a medical timeout at the changeover.

"My stomach was just cramping up, so was I some pain," Isner said.

Ferrer held easily for 3-1 and then broke again when Isner hit a big forehand wide.





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CC Sabathia says he realized in 2012 he was an alcoholic

NEW YORK (AP) — New York Yankees pitcher CC Sabathia first realized three years ago he was an alco-

Sabathia left the team

his problem while the team was in Baltimore on Oct. 4, the last day of the regular

"That weekend I had start-

stand, but it's a disease," he said. "If it was my knee

He informed the Yankees of and people don't underor it was anything else, then people wouldn't have a problem with it. But, you

better." Sabathia said he did not drink before his outings. "That was one of the things

I think I wanted to clear up," he said. "You don't ever drink before games or anything like that."

Sabathia was not allowed to have a telephone during his time in rehab. His wife Amber, who was interviewed along with her husband, said she heard

from Derek Jeter, Alex Rodriguez, Andy Pettitte and Brian McCann all on the same day. The pitcher said David Ortiz and Torii Hunter were among those who called.

"I've got to thank those guys, and I'm truly blessed to be able to have friends like that," Sabathia said. Sabathia made a deliberate decision to admit his problem publicly.



In this Oct. 1, 2015, file photo, New York Yankees starting pitcher CC Sabathia (52) struggles with his cap in the rain during the first inning of a baseball game against the Boston Red Sox in New

Associated Press

for treatment ahead of its ed drinking and, you know, loss to Houston in the onegame AL wild-card playoff and went public with his problem.

"In 2012, I kind of came to the realization I was an alcoholic, and I was kind of battling it without any help," he told ABC in an interview broadcast Friday, his first remarks to media since treatment. "I would go a couple, you know, two, three months at a time sober, and then I would just relapse, and, you know, go on these weekends when I thought nobody was paying attention, and I would get in a hotel room and drink out of the minibar, pretty much everything."

thought nobody was paying attention and, you know, was isolated by myself, staying in my room the whole weekend," he said. Sabathia said he "woke up, and just felt like I needed help. It was a tough decision to make because I felt like I was leaving my teammates, but I definitely needed the help to be a better husband, father, teammate, you know, player."

He defended the timing of his decision, two days before what turned out to be the Yankees' only postseason game, a 3-0 loss.

"I understand where, you know, fans would be upset know, it being alcoholism, it's tough for people to swallow, but it's the same thing."

The 35-year-old left-hander was 6-10 with a 4.73 ERA this season, slowed by a chronic knee injury.

A six-time All-Star and the 2007 AL Cy Young Award winner, Sabathia has struggled through three straight subpar seasons, going 23-27 while trying to adjust to decreased velocity and pitching through knee

"I was just tired of hiding," he said. "I just felt such a relief that everybody knows now. ... I can start the healing process and take the steps forward to get myself









NFL Preview

Panthers-Packers matchup a big test for both NFL teams

BARRY WILNER AP Pro Football Writer

The unbeaten Carolina Panthers host the one-loss Green Bay Packers in the NFL's best matchup this weekend, with the winner getting the inside track for the top rung in the NFC.

The Panthers are the lone unbeaten team in the NFC at 7-0, followed closely by the Packers. A win not only gives the Panthers a twogame lead over the rest of the conference, but would also afford them the headto-head tiebreaker over the Packers when it comes to determining home-field advantage throughout the playoffs.

You don't have to tell that to Aaron Rodgers, coming off one of his worst games as a professional, held to 77 yards passing and no touchdowns in a 29-10 loss to the Denver Broncos last Sunday at Lambeau Field. "It has potential implications down the road," Rod-

gers said. "We both have goals bigger than this game, but this could go a long way when the weather starts to

change."

As Carolina Pro Bowl tight end Greg Olsen said, the Panthers would much rather play in temperate Charlotte in the playoffs than in thers have won six straight games at home.

They are coming off a short week, having won an overtime game against the Indianapolis Colts on Monday. After this, the Panthers don't face an opponent



Carolina Panthers' Cam Newton (1) looks to pass against the Indianapolis Colts in the second half of an NFL football game in Charlotte, N.C., Monday, Nov. 2, 2015.

that currently has a winning record until Atlanta on Dec. 13.

Also in the spotlight, Peyton Manning returns to Indianapolis in sight of two big records, and the Oakland Raiders and Pittsburgh Steelers renew their longstanding and often nasty rivalry.

Manning hasn't been in Indianapolis for 3 1/2 seasons, in which time the Colts have been a playoff regular, as frigid Green Bay. The Pan- have his Broncos. Denver clearly is on a path toward another postseason berth, using a powerful defense more than Manning's arm. But he comes off his best performance of the season in the Broncos' romp past perhaps the NFC's best team, Green Bay.

If the Broncos win, Manning will break Brett Favre's record for regular-season wins by a quarterback (186). Manning also needs 284 yards passing to pass Favre (71,838) and become the NFL's career leader.

The Colts are tied for the AFC South lead with Houston but have a 3-5 win-loss record. Offensive coordinator Pep Hamilton was fired this week, and Andrew Luck has thrown a leaguehigh 12 interceptions despite missing two games.

Once the nastiest of NFL rivalries, Raiders-Steelers gets some of that spice back on Sunday. For the first time since 2002, the Raiders are relevant, above .500 and

with a big-play offense sparked by rookie receiver Amari Cooper. They manhandled the New York Jets' supposedly superior defense last week.

Quarterback Derek Carr is taking care of the ball. Running back Latavius Murray is ripping through holes, and ageless Charles Woodson is picking off passes as if it was still the late-90s.

Oakland is 4-1 against Pittsburgh since 2006 and 43-103 against the rest of the league. The Raiders expect a playoff-type atmosphere in Pittsburgh, and in some ways it could be an elimination game for the Steelers in the AFC North.

Injuries have decimated Pittsburgh since training

Associated Press camp with running back Le'Veon Bell the latest to

head to injured reserve after tearing ligaments in his right knee last week against Cincinnati.

The Week 9 action began on Thursday with Cincinnati's 31-10 home victory over Cleveland.

Andy Dalton threw three touchdown passes to Tyler Eifert and played lead blocker on Mohamed Sanu's reverse to help the Bengals improve to 8-0 for the first time in franchise history. Coming off an emotional 16-10 victory in Pittsburgh that gave them control of the AFC North, the Bengals dominated the Browns and Johnny Manziel in the second half.



NHL Capsules

Holtby's 28 saves carry Caps to victory over Bruins

WASHINGTON (AP) — Braden Holtby stopped 28 shots, Alex Ovechkin scored his seventh goal and the Washington Capitals handed the Boston Bruins their first road loss of the season, 4-1 on Thursday night.

John Carlson had a goal and an assist for the Capitals, whose 9-3-0 record matches the best start in franchise history.

Holtby notched shutouts in all three games between the teams last season. A power-play goal by Jimmy Hayes in the first period ended the streak.

Ovechkin tied the game at 1 with the 482nd goal of his career, one short of Sergei Fedorov for most among Russian-born players in NHL history.

Brooks Laich and Karl Alzner scored a goal each for the Capitals.

BLUE JACKETS 3, KINGS 2

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Brandon Dubinsky had a goal and an assist and Columbus overcame a shotless second period to hold off Los Angeles for its fourth victory in six games under coach John Tortorella.

Sergei Bobrovsky made 31 saves to help the lastplace Blue Jackets win their second straight game in California and hand the first-place Kings just their second loss in 10 games.

Cam Atkinson and Gregory Campbell also scored. Columbus had no shots in the second period, a first in franchise history.

Jonathan Quick stopped 22 shots and Alec Martinez scored a power-play goal for the Kings, who opened a five-game homestand with a clunker. Los Angeles' four-game home winning streak ended, as did its five-game winning streak against Columbus at Staples Center.

CANADIENS 4, ISLANDERS 1

MONTREAL (AP) — David Desharnais and Brendan Gallagher scored 1:33 apart in the third period to lift Montreal to the victory over New York.

Dale Weise and Tomas Plekanec also scored for



Philadelphia Flyers' Radko Gudas, right, of the Czech Republic, checks Calgary Flames' Johnny Gaudreau during second-period NHL hockey game action in Calgary, Alberta, Thursday, Nov. 5, 2015.

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Montreal. The Canadiens are 3-0-1 since Mike Condon replaced injured Carey Price as the starting goaltender and are 12-2-1 overall. Kyle Okposo scored and the Islanders lost for the fourth time in five games, including two overtime defeats.

Montreal had a 24-18 shot advantage and beat former Canadiens goaltender Jaroslav Halak for only the second time in six meetings.

SHARKS 5, PANTHERS 2

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Patrick Marleau scored a highlight-reel goal for his 997th career point and San Jose beat Florida at home for the first time in nearly 10 years

Brent Burns, Joonas Donskoi, Marc-Edouard Vlasic and Chris Tierney also scored for the Sharks, who had lost four straight in their own building against Florida since winning on Dec. 8, 2005, in Joe Thornton's second home game with the franchise.

Alex Stalock made 31 saves to earn his first win of the season as San Jose won for just the third time in nine games.

Vincent Trocheck and Brandon Pirri scored for the Panthers, who have lost the first two on their threegame California swing after dropping a shootout in Anaheim on Wednesday. Al Montoya made 27 saves. **LIGHTNING 4, SABRES 1**

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Steven Stamkos, Tyler Johnson and Nikita Kucherov scored in the first period

and Tampa Bay beat Buffalo for the seventh straight time.

Tampa Bay's early barrage chased goaltender Linus Ullmark, and Andrei Vasilevskiy made 30 saves for the Lightning. Victor Hedman added an emptynet goal. Rookie star Jack Eichel scored his fifth goal of the season for Buffalo. Chad Johnson replaced Ullmark and stopped all 10 shots he faced.

SENATORS 3, JETS 2, SO

OTTAWA, Ontario (AP) — Mika Zibanejad scored the shootout winner, Craig Anderson made 38 saves and Ottawa beat Winnipeg.

Cody Ceci and Bobby Ryan scored in regulation for the Senators.

Andrew Ladd and Dustin Byfuglien also scored for Winnipeg and Michael Hutchinson turned away 29 shots.

Trailing 2-1 to start the third period, the Jets didn't wait long to tie things up. Byfuglien stripped Erik Karlsson of the puck at center along the boards and then beat Anderson 26 seconds into the period.

FLAMES 2, FLYERS 1, OT

CALGARY, Alberta (AP) — Mikael Backlund scored 35 seconds into overtime and also had an assist to give Calgary the victory over Philadelphia.



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Rose steers Bulls to 104-98 win over Thunder

CHICAGO (AP) — Derrick Rose scored 29 points and Jimmy Butler added 26 to lead the Bulls to a 104-98 victory over Oklahoma City on Thursday night.

Rose scored 10 points over the final 3 1-2 minutes to lift the Bulls after they blew a 10-point lead in the fourth quarter.

Oklahoma City tied it with just over 5 minutes left in the game.

But Rose's performance down the stretch helped offset Durant's 33 points and lifted the Bulls after they got blown out at Charlotte two nights earlier.

Russell Westbrook had 20 points and 10 assists and Serge Ibaka scored 17 points for the Thunder, who lost their third straight.

Chicago was clinging to a 98-96 lead when Rose hit consecutive jumpers to make it a six-point game with just over a minute remaining.

After Durant hit a jumper, Pau Gasol nailed a sweeping hook with 38.4 seconds left, sealing the win for the Bulls.

HEAT 96, TIMBERWOLVES 84 MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Dwyane Wade, showing no ill effects from a migraine

headache two days ago, scored 25 points to lead Miami.

Chris Bosh had 16 points and 12 rebounds for the Heat, who were playing one day after reserve guard Gerald Green was hospitalized for unspecified reasons.

Heat coach Erik Spoelstra said Green's condition had improved by Thursday, but it remained unclear why he was hospitalized and how long he will be away. Shabazz Muhammad had 14 points and six rebounds on a brutal shooting night for the Timberwolves, who shot just 35 percent from the field.

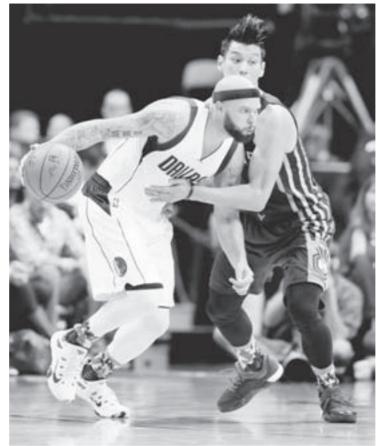
Andrew Wiggins was 5 for 18 and Karl-Anthony Towns made just 3 of 13 shots.

Goran Dragic added 18 points as all five Heat starters scored in double fig-

Wade suffered a migraine in the third quarter against Atlanta on Tuesday, but he was able to finish the game. He showed no ill effects on Thursday and helped Miami close the first half in a flash.

HORNETS 108, MAVERICKS 94

DALLAS (AP) — Al Jefferson scored a season-high 31



Dallas Mavericks guard Deron Williams tries to get around the defense of Dallas Mavericks' Jeremy Lin, right, during the first half of an NBA basketball game Thursday, Nov. 5, 2015, in Dal-

points on 15-of-18 shooting and Marvin Williams added 17 points and 12 rebounds for Charlotte, which pulled away in the third quarter. Deron Williams led the Mavericks with 15 points, while Dirk Nowitzki, Zaza Pachulia

Associated Press 14 each.

The victory was the first in Dallas following 11 defeats for the franchise that began as the Charlotte Bobcats in 2004-05.

The Mavericks had run off 14 straight home wins over Charlotte's two NBA teams since the original Hornets won at Reunion Arena in January 1998.

Charlotte led 54-53 at halftime thanks in great measure to a 30-20 advantage on points in the paint.

The Hornets outscored the Mavericks 24-14 in the third quarter, shooting 50 percent while Dallas hit 22.7 percent and missed on all eight of its 3-point attempts.

Jefferson had nine rebounds.

JAZZ 96, NUGGETS 84

DENVER (AP) — Gordon Hayward scored 20 points, including seven in the fourth quarter, and Utah pulled away late.

Trevor Booker added 13 points and Rudy Gobert had eight points and 16 rebounds for Utah, which kept the Nuggets winless in their two home games this season.

Alec Burks and Trey Burke added 12 points apiece. Danilo Gallinari had 18 points to lead Denver while Will Barton added 12. Utah outshot Denver 43.5 percent to 38.9 percent. Rodney Hood and Hayward hit successive 3-pointers as part of a 12-0

run carrying the Jazz to a

90-73 lead with 4:17 left.



Kevin Kisner of the United States hits a shot on the 4th hole during the second round of the HSBC Champions golf tournament at the Sheshan International Golf Club in Shanghai, China Friday, Nov. 6, 2015.

Associated Press

Knox started his round with a 40-foot birdie putt that He wound up with the low round of the day at 7-under 65, leaving him two shots behind Kisner and with his own tale about being a little unprepared for his first World Golf Championship.

Knox only found out last

week in Malaysia that he was in the HSBC Champiset the tone for the day. ons when J.B. Holmes withdrew. That was the good news. The problem was getting a visa for China, so wife Andrea came to rescue — twice. First, she filled out all his forms while he played the CIMB Classic and arranged for the meeting with the Chinese

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and Dwight Powell added

consulate in Kuala Lumpur on Monday. Then, she filled in as a caddie for his practice round at Sheshan because Knox's caddie took an extra day to arrange for

"My wife was a superstar," Knox said. One job apparently was easier than the other. "We got a stand bag from the pro here and played the quickest practice round ever, and she complained heavily for the last nine holes," he said with a laugh. "But it was nice to run around quickly, so I did get to see the course. My caddie did not, so I told him what we were going to do." The top two players on the leaderboard going into the weekend have never won on the PGA Tour, and both know so much can change over the next two days. Even

so, Kisner's solid play has created a little bit of separation.Branden Grace of South Africa, who opened with a 63, added three birdies through 10 holes until he forced the issue trying to get further ahead and wound up playing the final eight holes in 2 over. He had to settle for a 71 and was four shots behind.

The buzz came from Li Haotong of China, who spent the afternoon chasing the lead and thrilling the hometown gallery. A bogey on the final hole gave him a 69, and he joined Patrick Reed (70) at 9-under 135. Li played the PGA Tour China series last year and had a chance midway through the Web.com Tour season to earn a PGA Tour card until fading. Playing at home in a World Golf Championship, he enjoyed the moment — especially seeing his name on the leader-

"Almost every hole," Li said with a big smile. "Very cool. Very fun.'

It wasn't a lot of fun for some of the biggest names. Jordan Spieth missed a few good opportunities at the turn, and then ran off three straight bogeys and wondered if he would make another par. He salvaged his day with birdies on the final two par 5s for a 72, though he was 10 shots behind. "When I get into the breeze, I hit some shots that I was very shocked with today," he said. "But I lost a lot of focus there, too. I felt like I was very lazy in my routine, very lazy in picking targets. And it bit me with three unforced errors in a row on the back nine there. But I am pleased with the way that we did rebound, because it looked like I could have just bogeyed in.''🔲



Toyota invests \$1B in artificial intelligence in U.S.

YURI KAGEYAMA **AP Business Writer**

TOKYO (AP) — Toyota is investing \$1 billion in a research company it's setting up in Silicon Valley to develop artificial intelligence and robotics, underlining the Japanese automaker's determination to lead in futuristic cars that drive themselves and apply the technology to other areas of daily life.

Toyota Motor Corp. President Akio Toyoda said Friday the company will start operating from January 2016, with 200 employees at a Silicon Valley facility near Stanford University. A second facility will be established near Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge.

The investment, which will be spread over five years, comes on top of \$50 million Toyota announced earlier for artificial intelligence research at Stanford and MIT. Toyota said its interest extended beyond autonomous driving, which is starting to be offered by some automakers and being promised by almost all of them. The technology was pointing to a new industry for everyday use, delivering a safer lifestyle overall, it said.

Toyota has already shown



Toyota Motor Corp.'s Executive Technical Advisor Gill Pratt, left, and President Akio Toyoda, right, shake hands during a press conference on artificial intelligence in Tokyo, Friday, Nov. 6, 2015. **Associated Press**

an R2-D2-like robot designed to help the elderly, the sick and people in wheelchairs by picking up and carrying objects. The automaker has also shown human-shaped entertainment robots that can converse and play musical instruments. As the world's top auto manufacturer, Toyota already uses sophisticated robotic arms and computers in auto production, including doing paint jobs and screwing in parts. To drive home the message that the automaker's vision was more than about just cars, Toyoda appeared at a Tokyo hotel with high profile robotics expert Gill Pratt, who will head the new organization called Toyota Research Institute

Pratt was formerly a proaram manager at the U.S. military's Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency. He joined Toyota as a technical adviser when it set up its Al research effort at Stanford and MIT.

Pratt said the company's goals are to support older people in their homes with robotics, make cars free of accidents and use AI to allow all people to drive regardless of ability.

He gave three examples from his personal life that motivate him to develop robotics and related technology: when he was a child, seeing a boy on a bicycle killed by a car; telling his 83-year-old father he could no longer drive; and

sending his father to a nursing home when he was 84. Pratt, who grew up on Japanese robot animation and dreamed of one day building such robots, said he chose Toyota over other jobs because it was "so focused on social good."

He said coming up with a car as smart as a human being will take a long time. But that also meant the competition had just begun and no one was ahead significantly.

The new company will be hiring researchers and engineers, according to Toyota. Wooing talent is crucial because not only are automakers such as General Motors, Tesla and Nissan competing on autonomous driving but outsiders are as well, including Google, Apple and Uber.

"The rapid adoption of advanced technology for the purposes of autonomous driving and connected car services means car companies have to act more like tech startups than traditional automakers," said Karl Brauer, senior analyst at Kelley Blue Book. Toyota, which has gone through troubled times with massive recalls and the 2011 tsunami in northeastern Japan, has the cash these days to invest in the future. \square

Time Warner CEO signals delays for DC shows on Netflix, Hulu

RYAN NAKASHIMA AP Business Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Fans of superhero shows based in the DC Comics universe like "The Flash," "Arrow" and "Gotham" might have to wait a lot longer for past seasons' episodes to come to Netflix and Hulu.

Jeff Bewkes, the chief executive of DC-owner Time Wednesday that the company is considering whether to let online services like Netflix have its shows several years after they first air, rather than one year later. He said that could mean more older episodes are available on-demand to

traditional cable custom-

Withdrawing shows from online services would make traditional cable and satellite TV packages more attractive. Time Warner is focused on "delivering even more value to consumers, especially those who subscribe to the traditional bundle," Bewkes said.

Warner Inc., told ana- There are eight DC-based lysts on a conference call shows on TV right now, including newcomer "Supergirl," which launched on CBS last week. You can currently access many of the previous seasons of established DC Comics shows, up until the last season, on Netflix and Hulu. Analyst Anthony DiCle-

mente of Nomura Securities said Time Warner is reacting to the growth of Netflix as a power in the TV

"Some of the media executives are looking at Netflix as a digital distributor who has gained too much power," he said. "They are thinking, look, maybe we should keep our most valuable content inside the traditional pay TV ecosystem, which is the golden goose."

DiClemente speculated that satellite and cable TV providers like DirecTV and Comcast could soon be able to offer back episodes for the entire current season to customers in on-



In this June 18, 2014, file photo, Jeffrey Bewkes, Chairman and CEO of Time Warner, attends the Cannes Lions 2014, 61st International Advertising Festival in Cannes, southern France. **Associated Press**

demand libraries rather networks such as CNN, INT than just the most recent five episodes.

Time Warner also spooked investors wary that growing numbers of people are skipping a traditional cable subscription. It said U.S. subscribers of its Turner and TBS fell a worse-thanexpected 1 percent this year, and it expects a similar decline next year.

The comments came after Time Warner Inc. reported third-quarter earnings early Wednesday that disappointed investors.



Stocks end mixed as market factors Fed rate hike

KEN SWEET

AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks had a mixed reaction Friday to the surprisingly strong October jobs report as investors adjusted to the prospect of higher interest rates as early as next month.

While the major indexes, on the surface, had a muted reaction to the jobs numbers, look at the individual parts of the market showed investors were actively reshuffling their portfolios.

Dividend-paying stocks, which are typically bought for their higher-than-average payouts when interest rates and bond yields are low, dropped sharply on Friday. The Dow Jones utility index, a basket of 15 dividend-paying utility stocks, sank 4 percent.

In contrast, bank stocks rose sharply as investors bet that higher interest rates would translate into higher profits, since they may be able to charge more for lending. JPMorgan Chase rose \$2.02, or 3 percent, to \$68.46, Bank of America rose 64 cents, or 3.7 percent, to \$17.95 and Morgan Stanley rose \$1.53, or 4.5 percent, \$35.41.

"You just need to look at those two groups and see that the market is positioning itself for higher interest rates," said Ryan Larson, head of equity trading at RBC Global Asset Management.

Wall Street has been in a months-long guessing game about the Federal Reserve, trying to figure out when the policymakers at the nation's central bank will finally raise interest rates. The market turmoil over the summer kept the Fed from raising rates at their September meeting, filled jobs across a range of industries.

"This makes it pretty likely the Fed will raise rates in December," said Priscilla Hancock, a global fixed income strategist for J.P. Mor"The Fed is still going to be extremely accommodative for investors. A rate hike in December is removing those emergency measures that the bank put into place during the financial



Traders Dudley Devine, left, Robert Arciero, cetner, and Robert Oswald gather at a post on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange. Stocks had a mixed reaction Friday to the surprisingly strong October jobs report as investors adjusted to the prospect of higher interest rates as early as next month.

(AP Photo/Richard Drew)

and policymakers decided to wait yet again at their October meeting to see more signs the U.S. economy was on sure footing.

By nearly every account, the October jobs report gave the Fed exactly what they wanted. The Labor Department said U.S. employers added 271,000 jobs, far more than the most hopeful of expectations, and the unemployment rate dipped to a fresh sevenyear low of 5 percent, from 5.1 percent. The burst of hiring, the most in 10 months,

aan Asset Management. Fed fund futures, which are securities that bet on which way the Fed will move interest rates, now show roughly a 74 percent chance of the central bank raising rates in December, up from 60 percent on Wednesday and up from well below 50 percent as recently as late summer. But the size of the predicted interest rate increase remains modest. Investors expect interest rates will go from their current 0-to-0.25 percent levels to 0.5 percent.

crisis," Hancock said. The Dow Jones industrial average rose 46.90 points, or 0.3 percent, to close at 17,910.33. The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell less than a point to 2,099.20 and the Nasdaq composite rose 19.38 points, or 0.4 percent, to close 5,147.12. The bond market's reaction to the jobs number was far more volatile than the stock market's, with bond prices sinking as investors scaled back their holdings of Treasuries and safer

STREET BRIEFS

Ford, UAW reach tentative contract agreement: AP

DETROIT (AP) — Ford Motor Co. and the United Auto Workers union have reached a tentative agreement on a new fouryear contract. The UAW said the agreement was reached Friday morning. The contract covers 53,000 workers at 22 U.S. plants. No details were released, but the contract is expected to mirror deals reached with General Motors and Fiat Chrysler. Those contracts eliminate a twotiered wage system at U.S. plants over eight years. They also give pay increases to longtime workers for the first time in a decade. Fiat Chrysler workers approved their contract last month. GM workers are still voting but are expected to pass their agreement this weekend. UAW leaders from Ford's plants will meet Monday in Detroit. If they vote to approve the aareement, the union will release details.

Lockheed buying helicopter maker Sikorsky for \$9B

STRATFORD, Connecticut (AP) — Lockheed Martin has closed its acquisition of Black Hawk helicopter maker Sikorsky Aircraft. Marillyn Hewson, chairwoman, president and CEO of the Marylandbased Lockheed Martin, announced completion of the \$9 billion sale with United Technologies Corp. on Friday. Hewson said Sikorsky will retain its Stratford, Connecticut, headquarters. The company employs nearly 15,000 workers in 11 countries and its helicopters are used by all five branches of the U.S. armed forces, as well as military in about 40 other nations. Sikorsky accounted for \$7.45 billion of United Technologies' \$65.1 billion in revenue last year. But its militarybusiness fell when U.S. troops withdrew from Afghanistan and

Iraq.

United Airlines CEO Munoz plans to return in 2016

SCOTT MAYEROWITZ AP Airlines Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — United Airlines CEO Oscar Munoz says he plans to return to work sometime in the first quarter of 2016.

Munoz, 56, has been out on medical leave following an Oct. 15 heart attack. The company's general counsel, Brett J. Hart, has led the company in his absence. "My time away will be a little longer than I would like, but based upon discussion

with my doctors I will be

back in the first quarter," Munoz said in a letter to employees released by the company.

Munoz had spent a month leading the Chicago-based United Continental Holdings before having the heart attack. He became CEO on Sept. 8 after Jeff Smisek was pushed out amid a federal investigation into the airline's dealings with the government agency running one of its most important airports. During his short tenure,

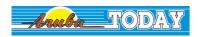
Munoz acknowledged that United had failed its passengers with chronic delays and computer outages and that it had poor relations with its workers. He promised to fix both.

Munoz served as president and chief operating officer of CSX Corp. before accepting the CEO job with United. He joined the United Continental board in 2010.

United has been plagued by technology challenges since its 2010 merger with Continental. More recently, federal prosecutors began investigating whether under Smisek the airline gave preferential treatment to a former chairman of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, which operates the New York-area airports.

investments.

United has only said that it made the decision to oust Smisek and two other senior executives following an internal investigation into the Port Authority matter.



China to resume IPOs as it slows emergency measures

JOE McDONALD AP Business Writer

BEIJING (AP) — China is resuming initial public stock offerings as it winds down emergency measures imposed to stop a market plunge, a government spokesman was quoted by state media as saying Fri-

Regulators suspended IPOs in July after China's main

market index plunged 30 percent from its June 12 peak. That disrupted fundraising plans for dozens of companies.

The end of the moratorium was announced by a spokesman for the China Securities Regulatory Commission, Deng Ge, according to the Xinhua News Agency and financial news

"Currently, the stock market has entered a selfhealing and self-adjusting stage," Ge was quoted as

"Resuming IPOs will help enhance the vitality of the market and repair its functions."

The Shanghai Composite Index has surged 17.6 percent in the past month. Before the June slump, the index soared more than 150 percent starting late last year after state media said shares were inexpensive. That led investors to believe Beijing would step in to prop up prices if necessary.

The bubble burst after an unrelated change in banking rules in early June made investors think Beijing's support might be weakening.

A aroup of state entities is believed to have spent tens of billions of dollars buying shares to prop up

Goldman Sachs estimated in a report in August that the group, dubbed the "National Team" by financial analysts, spent 860 billion-900 billion yuan (\$135 billion-\$140 billion) in June and July.

Japanese air bag maker Takata reports \$46 million loss



Japanese air bag maker Takata Corp. CEO Shigehisa Takada speaks at a press conference in Tokyo. Embattled Takata Corp. reported a half-year loss of 5.58 billion yen (\$45.8 million) on Friday, Nov. 6, due to recall costs, as Toyota announced it would stop using Takata air bag inflators that are at the center of the company's massive product safety scandal.

(Kyodo News via AP)

ELAINE KURTENBACH AP Business Writer

TOKYO (AP) — Embattled Takata Corp. reported a half-year loss of 5.6 billion yen (\$45.8 million) on Friday due to recall costs, as Toyota announced it would stop using Takata air bag inflators at the center fective air bags that affect

of the company's massive product safety scandal. Tokyo-based Takata cut its profit forecast for the full fiscal year that will end in March by 75 percent, to 5 billion yen (\$41 million) from 20 billion yen, reflecting the expense of recalls for demillions of vehicles globally. Takata's financial report capped a week of bad news for the company after at least three major customers, including Honda Motor Co., said they would stop purchasing the types of air bags involved in the

On Friday, Toyota Motor Corp. president Akio Toyoda said the world's topselling automaker will stop using Takata's ammonium nitrate air bag inflators but didn't provide details.

Takata had forecast a 7.5 billion yen (\$62 million) net profit for the fiscal first half. Its net loss a year earlier was 35.2 billion yen.

Takata said its sales totaled 359.4 billion yen (\$2.95 billion) in April-September. It kept its full-year sales forecast at 720 billion yen (\$5.9 billion). Apart from air bags, it also makes other car parts including seatbelts and steering wheels.

On Tuesday, U.S. auto safety regulators fined Takata \$70 million for concealing evidence for years that its air bags are prone to explode with grisly consequences. The defect is linked to eight deaths and more than 100 injuries worldwide. The spate of bad news prompted heavy selling of Takata's shares, which fell 6.2 percent on Friday and lost nearly 40 percent for the week. Takata has agreed to phase out air bag inflators that use ammonium nitrate, the propellant blamed for the explosions. It also agreed with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to a schedule for replacing many of the devices already in use over the next two years.

Takata uses the chemical ammonium nitrate to create an explosion that inflates air bags, but it can deteriorate over time, especially when exposed to moist air. In the U.S., about 23.4 million Takata driver and passenger air bag inflators have been recalled on 19.2 million vehicles sold by 12 auto and truck makers. As of Oct. 9, only 22.5 percent of the recalled inflators had been replaced nationwide, but the pace is a bit faster in high-humidity states like Florida, which have been given priority. Repairs have been slowed by the magnitude and complexity of the recalls and by limits to the number of replacement parts that

Disney 4Q results allay concerns about any cord-cutting

AP Business Writer LOS ANGELES (AP) — Disney

is allaying concerns about cord-cutting after reporting division that houses ESPN. CEO Bob Iger told CNBC that he remains "bullish" about the TV business. Three months earlier, Disney set off a wave of selling in media stocks after trim-

ming its future guidance

due to a modest decrease

in ESPN subscribers. Last month, Disney cut about 300 jobs at ESPN and shuttered its popular Grantbetter-than-expected rev- land website. "The fact that is still smaller than most enue in the cable-network remains that the industry traditional pay TV packagdid lose some (subscribers) last year," he told CNBC. "Now is that a reason to panic? Absolutely not. People still love television, the still love ESPN and they love live sports." Thursday's comments come the same day Disney announced it

is licensing ESPN and other channels to Sony's PlayStation Vue online TV service, a bundle of over 50 channels es and costs \$50 a month. Iger told analysts on a conference call that Disney would continue to license its top networks to new entrants with slimmer bundles of channels that are more attractively priced to young people. He also said

ESPN remains a key driver of \$4.22 billion expected by the popularity of new offerings, including Vue. "They came to us to negotiate a deal because it was clear launched was not penetrating the market as much as I think they were expectina," he said. Disney said Thursday that revenue at its leading business, cable networks, rose 12 percent to \$4.25 billion in the fiscal fourth quarter, beating the

analysts polled by FactSet. An increase in subscribers at its newly launched SEC Network partially offset a the product that they had decline "at certain of our networks," the company said, without specifying. Overall, revenue rose 9 per-

cent to \$13.51 billion, shy of the \$13.55 billion expected. But adjusted earnings grew to \$1.20 per share from 89 cents a year ago, beating the \$1.15 expected. \square

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Trump's unorthodox campaign heads to 'SNL'



This Nov. 3, 2015 photo provided by NBC shows, "Saturday Night Live" cast member Cecily Strong, left, and Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump in New York. Trump will host the show on Nov. 7. (Dana Edelson/NBC via AP)

FRAZIER MOORE JILL COLVIN **Associated Press**

NEW YORK (AP) — Donald Trump's unorthodox campaign for president will take another unusual step this weekend when he takes a break from typical campaigning to host "Saturday Night Live."

The appearance will put the billionaire businessman and reality TV star in rare company: Only eight politicians previously have hosted "Saturday Night Live" in its entire 40-year-old his-

And only one of those politicians-slash-guest hosts was an active presidential candidate — the Rev. Al Sharpton, who was seeking the Democratic nomination when he hosted in December 2003.

The appearance is the latest example of how Trump — who first guest hosted "SNL" in 2004 just weeks

after the show he helped create, NBC's "The Apprentice," began airing has been able to capitalize on his celebrity throughout his campaign, which has translated into record ratinas for networks on each of the three Republican debates. Trump has repeatedly bragged about the attention his appearances have been generating, predicting the show will have its highest ratings ever with him at the helm. Throughout its history, "SNL" has poked fun at political figures — both via cast impersonations and with guest appearances by the politicians themselves. It and other late-night television shows also give candidates the chance to show off their less serious sides and connect with a new and generally younger audience than the usual early-state rallies and debate stages.

campaign team had opposed the idea when he was invited to host by "SNL" executive producer Lorne Michaels, but he decided an appearance could help humanize his persona. "I was known in America at the time as a civil rights leader and protest leader, and I wanted to show that I could laugh at myself, I had a sense of humor, and be self-effacing, and that I could be comfortable with a broader audience," he said in an interview, adding that the appearance yielded tangible results, with people bringing it up constantly as he campaigned. The challenge for Trump, whose invitation has provoked an outcry from groups concerned about what they perceive as an anti-Latino bias by the candidate, would be making a similar connection, Sharpton said.

Sharpton said his whole

"We know him as this brash, bombastic, self-important person. But can he laugh at himself? Can he relate to the average guy in a bowling alley?" posed Sharpton. "I think that he has the opportunity or the risk of establishing that tomorrow night."

In the 2004 host appearance, Trump opened his monologue by joking about his star power: "It's great to be here at 'Saturday Night Live,' but I'll be completely honest, it's even better for 'Saturday Night Live' that I'm here.



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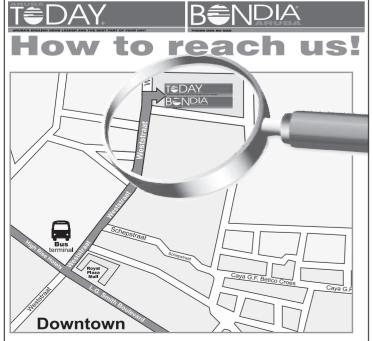
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U.N. report raises ceiling for greenhouse gas pollution

KARL RITTER
Associated Press
STOCKHOLM (AP) — The

U.N.'s environmental authority has quietly raised its assessment of the level at which global greenhouse gas emissions must peak to avoid dangerous climate

change, as governments seek a new accord to fight global warming.

In its first four annual emissions reports in 2010-2013, the United Nations Environment Program said emissions not exmust ceed 44 billion tons in 2020 for the world to limit global warming to 2 degrees C (3.6 degrees F). But with realworld emissions rising far beyond that level, UNEP has since last year downplayed its focus on 2020 as a make-or-break year for emissions reductions.

In this year's Emissions Gap report, a summary of which was released Friday, UNEP says the world can still reach the 2-degree target with emissions of 52 billion tons by 2020, which is just slightly below today's level. The new analysis assumes that emissions cuts will drop

faster after 2030 than was assumed in previous reports.

UNEP chief scientist Jacqueline McGlade told The Associated Press the earlier assessments weren't wrong, but were based on emissions scenarios that are

gives the questionable impression that despite increasing emissions there's always a way to reach the 2C target," said Oliver Geden, of the German Institute for International and Security Affairs in Berlin.

The 2-degree target was

Scientists say temperatures have already risen more than 0.8 degrees C (1.4 degrees F) since the industrial revolution, and that the warming is mostly manmade, mainly due to emissions from the burning of fossil fuels.

move more greenhouse gas from the atmosphere than what is added by human activity in the latter half of the century to make up for overshooting benchmarks earlier, which Geden called a "dubious" concept.

The idea of socalled "negative emissions" is that humans would plant more emissionsforabsorbing ests and crops, and deploy expensive technologies that capture emissions from the energy and industry sectors. The UNEP reports are based on scientific assessments by the authoritative Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. **IPCC** scientist Chris Field said that at some level questions of what peaking year or emissions reductions



In this July 1, 2013, file photo, smoke rises from the Colstrip Steam Electric Station, a coal burning power plant in in Colstrip, Mont.

Associated Press

"no longer realistic."

Critics said the change reflects political pressure to show the 2-degree goal is still feasible as governments work on the U.N. climate agreement that's supposed to be adopted in Paris next month.

"The emissions gap report

adopted in U.N. climate talks in 2010. Two degrees of warming compared with pre-industrial times, is widely seen as a level where climate change becomes unmanageable, with fastrising sea levels, intensifying droughts and other impacts.

UNEP now places little emphasis on its earlier view that emissions must peak before 2020. Last year it just said emissions "need to peak soon" and this year's summary didn't even mention a peaking year.

Its scenarios assume the world will be able to re-

are feasible aren't really about science.

"It is about the priority that the topic is assigned," he said. "With a high enough priority, societies or even the world community can do amazing things. But amazing accomplishments require amazing efforts."





Jolie Pitt turns grief over mom's death into 'By the Sea'

SANDY COHEN AP Entertainment Writer LOS ANGELES (AP) — "By the Sea" is a very personal film for Angelina Jolie Pitt — and not just because it reunites her onscreen with her husband, Brad Pitt. It's not even because she wrote, directed, produced and stars in the film.

"By the Sea" is personal because it was inspired by the grief of losing her mother in 2007, Jolie Pitt said Thursday at the film's premiere, AFI Fest's opening-night gala at Hollywood's TCL Chinese Theatre.

She started writing when she was missing her mother, without knowing exactly what she was creating.

"When you write something from a blank page, it's very hard to say, 'This is important,' because you don't know: It's your own life. It's

your mother. Grief. Where to put your pain," Jolie Pitt said. "For me, it was important to try to do it. And it was important to try to do it for my mother. It was important for myself. And it was wonderful to work with Brad, and for us to be able to get through it together, because we tested ourselves to see if we could do something like this together."

"By the Sea" is a slow, quiet drama about a wealthy American couple on a French seaside retreat. Roland (Pitt) is there to write, but mostly just ends up drinking. Vanessa (Jolie Pitt) is there to relax, but ends up grumping around and popping pills. They avoid each other and their relationship is clearly strained. Their dynamic beyour own depression. It's gins to change when they

your own questions about befriend (and secretly spy on) a newlywed couple on their honeymoon.

> The camera lingers on Roland's lean frame and Vanessa's face and figure.

> As in 2005's "Mr. & Mrs. Smith," the two stars play a married pair facing serious relationship challenges. Only this time, the actors relied on the strength of their real-life relationship to do it. "It's really no different than trying to get the kids to bed at night," Pitt said." I mean, you know, it's a tag team, Ultimate Wrestling kind of endeavor. And here on set, again, we're working together and solving problems and making the thing work and figuring it out. And there's just a great collaboration. She's just, she's my wife."

> As for being directed by his spouse?"She's very decisive. She's really intuitive,"



Angelina Jolie arrives at the 2015 AFI Fest opening night premiere of "By The Sea" on Thursday, Nov. 5, 2015, in Los Angeles. **Associated Press**

Pitt said. "Her instincts are really good with stories. So, I really trust her when she redirects a scene."

Jolie Pitt loved working with her husband, too.

"You're going to have a long life ahead of you and you've got to shake it up and, sometimes, it's really wonderful to test yourselves, to push each other," she said. I talked to (actress) Gena Rowlands. She was talking before, and how she and (director-husband) John (Cassavetes) (would) take the rubber band and you stretch it as far as you can. And this is a part of marriage and this is wonderful. So, that I loved. And that was what we did."

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In this Oct. 3, 2015 photo released by NBC, Kate McKinnon portrays Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton, left, and Hillary Clinton portrays Val during the "Bar Talk" in a sketch from "Saturday Night Live." in New York.

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Palin, Clinton, other politicians who've appeared on 'SNL'

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NEW YORK (AP) — The first of eight previous politicians to guest host "Saturday Night Live" was U.S. Rep. Julian Bond in April 1977. New York Mayor Ed Koch was tapped in May 1983. Former Sen. George Mc-Govern appeared in April 1984, a month after he had withdrawn from a presidential run. Civil rights leader Jesse Jackson hosted in October 1984 after a failed bid to be the '84

over her use of a private email server, Clinton took a starring turn as bartender "Val" in an October appearance. In the skit, Clinton offered a sympathetic ear to Kate McKinnon's Clinton impersonation while poking fun at her late opposition to the Keystone pipeline and support of same-sex marriage.

Sarah Palin, 2008:

Then-vice presidential candidate Sarah Palin, lampooned hilariously by Tina

presidential election, then-Republican nominee John McCain appeared alongside Palin, played by Fey, in a skit mocking their campaign's financial disadvantage against then-Sen. Barack Obama. Appealing on the shopping channel QVC, the pair hawked commemorative plates, action figures and jewelry. Barack Obama, 2007:

Obama appeared the show in 2007 in a skit depicting Hillary and Bill Clinton's Halloween party featuring the then-Democratic candidates. Toward the end, a man walked in wearing an Obama mask, which he removed to reveal it was really Obama. "I have nothing to hide," he told Clinton. "I enjoy being myself. I'm not going to change who I am just because it's Halloween." Rudolph Giuliani, 2001:

Besides his hosting engagement, Giuliani made numerous appearances on the show. But the most memorable came in the days after the Sept. 11 terror attacks when he appeared alongside first responders and delivered a message of hope and resolve. The opening ended with Lorne Michaels asking the mayor for permission to be funny, to which he responded, "Why start now?"



In this Aug. 29, 2008, file photo, Republican Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin delivers a speech as Republican presidential candidate, Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., introduces her as his vice presidential running mate at Wright State University's Ervin J. Nutter Center in Dayton, Ohio.

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Democratic nominee.

Rudolph Giuliani appeared in November 1997, fresh from winning his second term as mayor of New York. Sen. John McCain hosted in October 2002, long before his '08 presidential run. In December 2002, former Vice President and Democratic presidential candidate Al Gore hosted.

Of the more than two dozen politicians who have made cameo appearances, President Gerald Ford was the first, appearing in April 1976 as he was seeking re-election. More recent memorable appearances:

Hillary Rodham Clinton, 2015:

Coming off a summer dominated by questions

Fey, got some revenge when she made an appearance on the show. In her skit, real Palin appeared beside fake Palin at a mock press conference and was complimented on her looks by Fey's "30 Rock" co-star Alec Baldwin.

John McCain, 2008:

On the eve of the 2008

In this Aug. 29, 2008, file photo, Republican Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin delivers a speech as Republican presidential candidate, Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., introduces her as his vice presidential running mate at Wright State University's Ervin J. Nutter Center in Dayton, Ohio.





Stallone still packs punch with Rocky fans ahead of 'Creed'

DAN GELSTON AP Sports Writer (AP) PHILADELPHIA

There's a scene in "Creed" where the latest brash boxer who challenges the upstart protege of Rocky Balboa barks, "No one cares about Balboa anymore!"

Yo, through 40 years of Rocky as an underdoa, champion, and aging, widowed fighter, fans sure do care.

Dressed in robes, fedora hats and even boxing boots, the costumed enthusiasts chanting "Rocky! Rocky! Rocky!" on Friday had one more reason to cheer for Philadelphia's favorite fictional son.

Sylvester Stallone goes one more round as Balboa in the spinoff "Creed," and he wants the character to tally even more before he joins Adrian, Apollo and Paulie in that great squared circle in the sky.

"There's more to go," Stal-Ione said Friday. "I would like to follow this character until eventually he's an angel." The 69-year-old Stallone, writer of the first "Rocky" that earned 10 Academy Award nominations includ-



Sylvester Stallone, from left, Michael B. Jordan and Tessa Thompson watch as they are introduced for a press conference promoting their film "Creed" outside the Philadelphia Museum of Art, Friday, Nov. 6, 2015, in Philadelphia.

Associated Press

ing best picture, promised more movies based on Balboa and Adonis Creed. Creed is the son of Rocky's heavyweight rival and beach-running friend, Apollo Creed, and the titular character who coaxed Balboa out of retirement and into a trainer's role in the movie set for a Nov. 25 release. Stallone and fellow "Creed" actors Michael B. Jordan and Tessa Thompson, writer-director Ryan Coogler and producer Irwin Winkler attended a celebration of the movie atop the Philadelphia Museum of Art steps.

Mayor Michael Nutter attended a screening Thursday night and said the movie should win an Academy Award for best picture. The "Rocky" series spawned six more movies, and all the films shared a

lone — Philadelphia.

"The movie put Philadelphia literally on the map,"

Stallone's run through the Italian Market and up the museum's 72 steps in the first movie propped both locations from local landmarks into iconic tourist attractions. A bronze statue of the hard-luck fighter stands at the base of the steps.

"Creed" opens a more modern Philadelphia to a new generation of fans: Johnny Brenda's, Max's Steaks, Front Street Gym. All take center stage in the new flick and so does newer lingo. "Yo!" makes way for "jawn," a Philly word that can be used to describe anything.

When Los Angeles transplant Creed (Jordan) has his first cheesesteak with love interest Bianca (Thompson), she asks for "some peppers on that jawn." "Jawn this, jawn that," Creed said. "What's that?" Thompson said she spent about two months around Philadelphia to add native authenticity to

common co-star with Stal- her character."There's no better way to learn how to be a Philly jawn than just spend a lot of time in some Philly jawns," she said.

> Jordan was immersed for nearly a year in training for a movie that probably has more fight scenes than any of the first six movies.

"Did I get hurt? I took a few real punches, for sure. Thank Sly for that one," said Jordan, who trained with fighters Andre Ward and Gabriel Rosado.

"I know, you deserved it," Stallone said, laughing. Rocky has become as much a Philadelphia institution as the Liberty Bell and Stallone is always greeted with a frenzy normally reserved for its reallife sports heroes.

"I started skipping rocks in the Schuylkill River over there when I was 12 years old," said Stallone, who lived Philly as a teen. "So all you kids in the audience there, if you don't think you can make it up these steps of life, which is kind of represented here by this museum, don't you believe that. Because if I can do it, you can do it."

Activision planning 'Call of Duty' film, 'Skylanders' show

DERRIK J. LANG AP Entertainment Writer ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Activision Blizzard Inc. is moving deeper into the film and TV business.

The video game maker unveiled plans Friday at an investors meeting during the annual BlizzCon fan convention to create and release its own film and TV series.

The first projects from the newly formed Activision Blizzard Studios will be based on the "Call of Duty" military shooter franchise and kid-focused "Skylanders" toy-game series.

Activision Blizzard Studios co-president Nick van Dyk noted that the division will be directly involved in the creation, development and marketing of movies and TV series based on Activision Blizzard properties.

"We'll have a fraction of the overhead of the typi-



In this Nov. 7, 2014 file photo, two attendees are silhouetted as they wait for the opening ceremony at the BlizzCon, the fancentric celebration of video game publisher Blizzard, in Anaheim, Calif.

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ing with a blank page and building an organization that is right-sized for our intended creative output and for the future of the industry," van Dyk told inves-

The first TV series from Activision Blizzard Studios will

cal studio since we're start- be "Skylanders Academy." The computer-generated show is set to debut in 2016 and will feature the voices of Justin Long, Ashley Tisdale and Jonathan Banks. The studio also is working on a "Call of Duty" film series, with the first installment likely ready for deployment in 2018 or 2019, according to van Dky.

"Our releases will be consistent with the high adrenaline, bad-(expletive) action that fans expect from this franchise, but we're going to deliver this intellectual property to the broadest movie-going audience," van Dyk said. "This will be tent-pole action-adventure of the widest appeal." The move follows Activision Blizzard partnering with Legendary Pictures for a film based on Blizzard's "Warcraft" fantasy franchise. The movie centering on the battle between the game's Alliance and Horde factions is set for release June 10 and will be distributed by Universal Pic-

"Warcraft" filmmaker Duncan Jones was on hand Friday with the film's cast to debut a trailer for the movie at BlizzCon, a twoday celebration of Blizzard series at the Anaheim Convention Center.

The formation of a devoted studio is similar to Activision rival Ubisoft establishing a film and TV division in 2011. That studio is responsible for the Nickelodeon series "Rabbids Invasion," as well as an "Assassin's Creed" film based on the historical series starring Michael Fassbender, due Dec. 21, 2016. A similar venture didn't work out for Microsoft. After two years, the company closed its XboxEntertainment Studios in 2014. The division had been tasked with creating series based on such Microsoft game franchises as "Halo," ''Forza" and "Gears of War." Activision Blizzard nounced earlier this week

that it is acquiring "Candy Crush Saga" publisher KingEntertainment for \$5.9 billion.

